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Form N-Q

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED

MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number: 811-08603

Name of Fund: BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. (DSU)

Fund Address: 100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE 19809

Name and address of agent for service: John M. Perlowski, Chief Executive Officer, BlackRock Debt

Strategies Fund, Inc., 55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY 10055

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 882-0052, Option 4

Date of fiscal year end: 02/28/2018

Date of reporting period: 11/30/2017

Item 1 Schedule of Investments

Schedule of Investments (unaudited)

BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. (DSU)

November 30, 2017

(Percentages shown are based on Net Assets)

	<i>Shares/Par</i>	
	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
<i>Security</i>		
Common Stocks 0.5%		
Chemicals 0.1%		
GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. ^{(a)(b)(c)}	481,806	\$ 207,176
GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	557,488	239,720
LyondellBasell Industries NV, Class A	26	2,722
		449,618
Diversified Financial Services 0.3%		
Kcad Holdings I Ltd. ^{(a)(b)}	1,075,282,733	2,053,790
Health Care Management Services 0.0%		
New Millennium HoldCo, Inc. ^(b)	10,718	3,012
Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Producers 0.1%		
Vistra Energy Corp.	39,599	748,421
Internet Software & Services 0.0%		
New Holdings LLC	252	88,200
Media 0.0%		
Adelphia Communications Corp., Class A, ^{(a)(b)}	400,000	4
Adelphia Recovery Trust, ^(b)	396,568	159
		163
Metals & Mining 0.0%		
Ameriforge Group, Inc.	1,664	66,560
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 0.0%		
SunPower Corp. ^(b)	1,707	14,100
Specialty Retail 0.0%		
Things Remembered, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	1,199,043	12
Total Common Stocks 0.5%		
(Cost \$20,794,617)		3,423,876
Asset-Backed Securities 10.7%		
ACAS CLO Ltd., Series 2015-1A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.65%), 5.00%, 04/18/27 ^{(c)(d)}	USD 280	280,766
ALM VI Ltd., Series 2012-6A, Class B1RR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.05%),	3,000	3,023,699

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3.41%, 07/15/26 ^{(c)(d)}			
ALM XII Ltd., Series 2015-12A, Class BR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.05%), 3.41%, 04/16/27 ^{(c)(d)}		1,250	1,259,142
ALM XII, Ltd., Series 2015-12A, Class C2R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.20%), 4.56%, 04/16/27 ^{(c)(d)}		1,500	1,521,054
ALM XIV Ltd., Series 2014-14A, Class C, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.45%), 4.83%, 07/28/26 ^{(c)(d)}		463	465,027
		<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Asset-Backed Securities (continued)			
ALM XVI Ltd/ALM XVI LLC, Series 2015-16A ^{(c)(d)} :			
Class BR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.05%), 3.41%, 07/15/27	USD	1,000	\$ 1,007,747
Class C1R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.20%), 4.56%, 07/15/27		1,650	1,675,327
Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 5.35%), 6.71%, 07/15/27		1,250	1,256,168
Anchorage Capital CLO 5 Ltd., Series 2014-5A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.20%), 3.56%, 10/15/26 ^{(c)(d)}		2,000	2,006,649
Anchorage Capital CLO 6 Ltd., Series 2015-6A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.40%), 3.76%, 07/15/30 ^{(c)(d)}		700	714,837
Anchorage Capital CLO Ltd. ^(d) :			
Series 2013-1A, Class BR, 3.51%, 10/13/30 ^{(a)(e)}		1,000	1,019,243
Series 2014-4A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.40%), 4.78%, 07/28/26 ^(c)		2,250	2,279,150
Apidos CDO, Series 2015-21A, Class C, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.55%), 4.90%, 07/18/27 ^{(c)(d)}		1,650	1,666,910
Ares CLO Ltd. ^{(c)(d)} :			
Series 2015-38A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.15%), 5.51%, 01/20/27		1,000	1,007,692
Series 2016-41A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.20%), 5.56%, 01/15/29		450	464,563
ARES XLIV CLO, Ltd., Series 2017-44A ^{(a)(c)(d)} :			
Class C, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.45%), 4.76%, 10/15/29		1,000	1,022,219
Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 6.55%), 7.86%, 10/15/29		1,000	1,029,246
Ares XXVII CLO Ltd., Series 2013-2A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.75%), 5.13%, 07/28/29 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,025,278
Ares XXVII CLO, Ltd., Series 2013-2A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.40%), 3.78%, 07/28/29 ^{(c)(d)}		1,400	1,425,193
Atlas Senior Loan Fund VI Ltd., Series 2014-6A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.60%), 4.96%, 10/15/26 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,003,291
Benefit Street Partners CLO XII Ltd., Series 2017-12A ^(d) :			
Class B, 3.35%, 10/15/30 ^(e)		1,000	1,015,825
Class C, 4.40%, 10/15/30		1,250	1,265,268
BlueMountain CLO Ltd., Series 2014-3A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.20%), 4.56%, 10/15/26 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,002,510
Burnham Park CLO Ltd., Series 2016-1A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.85%), 5.21%, 10/20/29 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,016,272

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Asset-Backed Securities (continued)			
Carlyle Global Market Strategies CLO Ltd. ^{(c)(d)} :			
Series 2012-4A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.10%), 5.46%, 01/20/29	USD	1,000	\$ 1,021,989
Series 2014-1A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.75%), 4.10%, 04/17/25		1,500	1,503,156
Series 2015-1A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.00%), 3.36%, 04/20/27		1,250	1,253,750
Series 2015-1A, Class E1, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 5.30%), 6.66%, 04/20/27		1,000	1,006,101
Series 2015-2A, Class C, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.75%), 5.12%, 04/27/27		250	250,893
Series 2015-2A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 5.30%), 6.67%, 04/27/27		1,000	1,008,283
Catskill Park CLO, Ltd., Series 2017-1A, Class C, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.70%), 5.06%, 04/20/29 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,020,478
CBAM 2017-3, Ltd., Series 2017-3A, Class E, 7.87%, 10/17/29 ^{(d)(e)}		1,000	1,014,369
Cedar Funding IV CLO, Ltd., Series 2014-4A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.65%), 5.01%, 07/23/30 ^{(c)(d)}		1,500	1,532,491
CIFC Funding III Ltd., Series 2014-3A, Class C1R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 1.90%), 3.26%, 07/22/26 ^{(c)(d)}		1,375	1,380,853
CIFC Funding Ltd., Series 2014-3A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.15%), 4.51%, 07/22/26 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,005,160
CIFC Funding V Ltd., Series 2015-5A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 6.30%), 7.67%, 10/25/27 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,020,808
Dryden 49 Senior Loan Fund, Series 2017-49A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.65%), 5.00%, 07/18/30 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,023,029
Dryden Senior Loan Fund, Series 2014-36A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.24%), 5.60%, 01/15/28 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,028,176
Elevation CLO Ltd., Series 2013-1A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.68%), 6.10%, 11/15/28 ^{(c)(d)}		800	816,696
Goldentree Loan Opportunities XI, Ltd., Series 2015-11A, Class E, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 5.55%), 6.90%, 04/18/27 ^{(c)(d)}		750	753,596
		<i>Par</i>	
		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Asset-Backed Securities (continued)			
Highbridge Loan Management Ltd. ^{(c)(d)} :			
Series 5A-2015, Class C1R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.10%), 3.48%, 01/29/26	USD	1,250	\$ 1,257,782
Series 5A-2015, Class C2R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.10%), 3.48%, 01/29/26		500	501,808
Series 5A-2015, Class D1R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.30%), 4.68%, 01/29/26		1,250	1,253,253
Series 6A-2015, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.65%), 5.04%, 05/05/27		300	300,733
Series 6A-2015, Class E1, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 5.45%), 6.84%, 05/05/27		1,250	1,250,732
LCM XV LP, Series 15A ^{(c)(d)} :			
Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.40%), 3.76%, 07/20/30		2,250	2,295,965
Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.70%), 5.06%, 07/20/30		1,250	1,277,684
LCM XXV, Ltd., Series 25A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.45%), 4.76%, 07/20/30 ^{(c)(d)}		1,000	1,016,602

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Madison Park Funding X, Ltd., Series 2012-10A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.20%), 5.56%, 01/20/29 ^{(c)(d)}	1,500	1,534,257
Madison Park Funding XIV Ltd., Series 2014-14A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.25%), 4.61%, 07/20/26 ^{(c)(d)}	1,014	1,016,999
Madison Park Funding XVI Ltd., Series 2015-16A, Class D, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 5.50%), 6.86%, 04/20/26 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,003,239
Neuberger Berman CLO XV, Series 2013-15A, Class CR, 3.41%, 10/15/29 ^{(d)(e)}	1,000	1,013,172
Neuberger Berman CLO XVII Ltd., Series 2014-17A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.65%), 5.01%, 04/22/29 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,021,959
Neuberger Berman CLO XVIII Ltd., Series 2014-18A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.25%), 5.66%, 11/14/27 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,027,383
Neuberger Berman CLO XXII Ltd., Series 2016-22A, Class E, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 6.75%), 8.10%, 10/17/27 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,033,293

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	<i>(000)</i>	
Asset-Backed Securities (continued)		
Neuberger Berman CLO XXIII Ltd., Series 2016-23A, Class E, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 6.58%), 7.93%, 10/17/27 ^{(c)(d)}	USD 1,000	\$ 1,031,955
OCP CLO Ltd., Series 2012-2A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.47%), 5.92%, 11/22/25 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,018,926
Octagon Investment Partners XXII, Ltd., (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.10%), 3.46%, 11/25/25 ^{(c)(d)}	1,500	1,504,318
OZLM Funding IV Ltd., 3.56%, 10/22/30 ^{(d)(e)}	1,000	1,016,053
OZLM Funding, Ltd., Series 2012-1A ^{(c)(d)} : Class BR2, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.30%), 3.66%, 07/23/29	1,000	1,019,755
Class CR2, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.60%), 4.96%, 07/23/29	1,000	1,020,631
OZLM IX Ltd., Series 2014-9A Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.55%), 4.91%, 01/20/27 ^{(c)(d)}	750	752,473
Palmer Square CLO Ltd., Series 2015-2A ^{(c)(d)} : Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.70%), 5.06%, 07/20/30	1,200	1,222,171
Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 6.50%), 7.86%, 07/20/30	1,000	1,018,038
Recette CLO Ltd., Series 2015-1A, Class DR, 4.11%, 10/20/27 ^{(d)(e)}	1,000	1,002,364
Sound Point CLO III, Ltd., Series 2013-2A, Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.35%), 4.71%, 07/15/25 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,001,925
Sound Point CLO IV Ltd., Series 2013-3A ^{(c)(d)} : Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.25%), 3.61%, 01/21/26	1,000	1,003,586
Class DR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.40%), 4.76%, 01/21/26	500	501,129
Symphony CLO Ltd., (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.65%), 5.01%, 07/15/28 ^{(c)(d)}	1,700	1,715,586
THL Credit Wind River 2014-3 CLO, Ltd., Series 2014-3A, Class C1R, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.20%), 3.56%, 01/22/27 ^{(c)(d)}	1,000	1,003,556
Webster Park CLO Ltd., Series 2015-1A ^{(c)(d)} : Class B1, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.10%), 4.46%, 01/20/27	500	502,142
Class C, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 4.05%), 5.41%, 01/20/27	500	501,972
	<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Asset-Backed Securities (continued)		
York CLO 1, Ltd., Series 2014-1A, Class CR, (3 mo. LIBOR US + 2.35%), 3.71%, 01/22/27 ^{(c)(d)}	USD 1,500	\$ 1,496,569
Total Asset-Backed Securities 10.7%		
(Cost \$79,921,001)		81,230,914
Corporate Bonds 54.5%		
Aerospace & Defense 1.5%		

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Arconic, Inc.:		
5.13%, 10/01/24	1,687	1,798,764
5.90%, 02/01/27	280	312,200
6.75%, 01/15/28	180	211,061
Bombardier, Inc. ^(d) :		
8.75%, 12/01/21	244	269,927
6.00%, 10/15/22	1,356	1,327,185
6.13%, 01/15/23	536	527,531
7.50%, 12/01/24	306	308,570
7.50%, 03/15/25	740	743,700
EnPro Industries, Inc., 5.88%, 09/15/22	292	303,680
Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc., 5.00%, 12/15/21 ^(d)	307	314,982
KLX, Inc., 5.88%, 12/01/22 (d)	1,662	1,736,790
Koppers, Inc., 6.00%, 02/15/25 ^(d)	606	650,874
Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc., 7.00%, 05/15/19	200	205,600
TransDigm, Inc.:		
6.00%, 07/15/22	922	950,813
6.50%, 07/15/24	1,309	1,338,453
6.38%, 06/15/26	103	104,545
		11,104,675
Air Freight & Logistics 0.3%		
XPO Logistics, Inc.:		
5.75%, 06/15/21	EUR 100	122,493
6.50%, 06/15/22 ^(d)	USD 1,831	1,913,395
6.13%, 09/01/23 ^(d)	71	74,994
		2,110,882
Airlines 0.6%		
Air Canada Pass-Through Trust, Series 2013-1, Class C,		
6.63%, 05/15/18 ^(d)	712	723,570
Continental Airlines Pass-Through Trust, Series 2012-3, Class C, 6.13%, 04/29/18		
	2,390	2,425,850
US Airways Pass-Through Trust, Series 2013-1, Class B, 5.38%, 05/15/23		
	1,044	1,103,509

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Airlines (continued)			
Virgin Australia Trust, Series 2013-1, Class C, 7.13%, 10/23/18 ^(d)	USD	313	\$ 319,906
			4,572,835
Auto Components 0.6%			
Allison Transmission, Inc., 5.00%, 10/01/24 ^(d)		685	713,462
Gestamp Funding Luxembourg SA, 3.50%, 05/15/23	EUR	100	124,629
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 5.00%, 05/31/26	USD	133	137,695
HP Pelzer Holding GmbH, 4.13%, 04/01/24	EUR	100	124,143
Icahn Enterprises LP/Icahn Enterprises Finance Corp.:			
6.25%, 02/01/22	USD	1,027	1,068,080
6.75%, 02/01/24		151	158,550
IHO Verwaltungs GmbH ^(f) :			
(2.75% Cash or 3.50% PIK), 2.75%, 09/15/21	EUR	100	122,338
(3.25% Cash or 4.00% PIK), 3.25%, 09/15/23		100	124,738
(3.75% Cash or 4.50% PIK), 3.75%, 09/15/26		100	127,952
(4.50% Cash or 5.25% PIK), 4.50%, 09/15/23 ^(d)	USD	900	921,375
Jaguar Land Rover Automotive PLC, 5.63%, 02/01/23 ^(d)		425	438,812
Tesla, Inc., 5.30%, 08/15/25 ^(d)		518	494,534
Venture Holdings Co. LLC ^{(a)(b)(g)} :			
12.00%, 07/01/49		5,150	1
Series B, 9.50%, 07/01/05		5,125	1
			4,556,310
Banks 0.2%			
Allied Irish Banks PLC, (5 year EUR Swap + 3.95%), 4.13%, 11/26/25 ^(h)	EUR	100	129,285
Banco Espirito Santo SA ^(g) :			
2.63%, 05/08/17		100	35,707
4.75%, 01/15/18		200	66,654
4.00%, 01/21/19		100	33,327
Banco Popolare, 2.75%, 07/27/20		100	124,430
Bank of Ireland, (5 year EUR Swap + 3.55%), 4.25%, 06/11/24 ^(h)		100	125,543
Bankia SA ^(h) :			
(5 year EUR Swap + 3.17%), 4.00%, 05/22/24		100	124,041
(5 year EUR Swap + 3.35%), 3.38%, 03/15/27		100	125,449
			<i>Par</i>
<i>Security</i>			
		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Banks (continued)			
CaixaBank SA, (5 year EUR Swap + 3.35%), 3.50%, 02/15/27 ^(h)	USD	100	\$ 126,446
CIT Group, Inc.:			
5.00%, 08/15/22		74	79,088

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5.00%, 08/01/23		130	139,906
National Bank of Greece SA, 2.75%, 10/19/20	EUR	100	119,725
			1,229,601
Building Materials 0.0%			
Titan Global Finance PLC, 3.50%, 06/17/21		100	126,583
Building Products 0.5%			
American Builders & Contractors Supply Co., Inc. ^(d) :			
5.63%, 04/15/21	USD	84	85,680
5.75%, 12/15/23		415	438,987
Beacon Escrow Corp., 4.88%, 11/01/25 ^(d)		868	885,360
Building Materials Corp. of America ^(d) :			
5.38%, 11/15/24		85	89,462
6.00%, 10/15/25		664	715,593
CPG Merger Sub LLC, 8.00%, 10/01/21 ^(d)		666	689,310
Ply Gem Industries, Inc., 6.50%, 02/01/22		472	488,520
Standard Industries, Inc., 5.50%, 02/15/23 ^(d)		303	318,150
USG Corp., 4.88%, 06/01/27 ^(d)		214	223,630
			3,934,692
Capital Markets 0.5%			
Blackstone CQP Holdco LP ^(d) :			
6.50%, 03/20/21		3,526	3,570,075
6.00%, 08/18/21		576	576,000
			4,146,075
Chemicals 3.3%			
Alpha 3 BV/Alpha US Bidco, Inc., 6.25%, 02/01/25 ^(d)		1,100	1,127,500
Axalta Coating Systems Dutch Holding B BV, 3.75%, 01/15/25	EUR	100	127,761
Axalta Coating Systems LLC, 4.88%, 08/15/24 ^(d)	USD	325	340,438
Blue Cube Spinco, Inc.:			
9.75%, 10/15/23		564	671,865
10.00%, 10/15/25		376	456,840
CF Industries, Inc., 5.15%, 03/15/34		185	186,388

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Chemicals (continued)		
Chemours Co.:		
6.63%, 05/15/23	USD 270	\$ 285,525
7.00%, 05/15/25	321	351,094
5.38%, 05/15/27	312	325,260
GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc., 1.00%, 10/18/25	7,051	11,595,486
Hexion, Inc., 10.38%, 02/01/22 ^(d)	311	286,213
Huntsman International LLC, 5.13%, 11/15/22	1,101	1,186,327
Ineos Finance PLC, 4.00%, 05/01/23	EUR 100	122,747
INEOS Group Holdings SA, 5.38%, 08/01/24	100	128,250
Momentive Performance Materials, Inc., 3.88%, 10/24/21	USD 2,675	2,775,312
NOVA Chemicals Corp. ^(d) :		
4.88%, 06/01/24	350	354,375
5.25%, 06/01/27	13	13,130
Platform Specialty Products Corp. ^(d) :		
6.50%, 02/01/22	2,629	2,717,729
5.88%, 12/01/25	468	471,510
PQ Corp., 6.75%, 11/15/22 ^(d)	759	817,822
PSPC Escrow Corp., 6.00%, 02/01/23	EUR 100	124,572
Tronox Finance PLC, 5.75%, 10/01/25 ^(d)	USD 172	178,880
WR Grace & Co-Conn, 5.13%, 10/01/21 ^(d)	410	434,087
		25,079,111
Commercial Services & Supplies 0.7%		
ADT Corp.:		
6.25%, 10/15/21	574	631,400
3.50%, 07/15/22	283	281,939
4.13%, 06/15/23	330	333,505
4.88%, 07/15/32 ^(d)	1,054	999,761
Advanced Disposal Services, Inc., 5.63%, 11/15/24 ^(d)	608	627,760
CD&R Waterworks Merger Sub LLC, 6.13%, 08/15/25 ^(d)	205	209,161
Harland Clarke Holdings Corp., 8.38%, 08/15/22 ^(d)	740	771,450
KAR Auction Services, Inc.,		
5.13%, 06/01/25 ^(d)	552	571,320
La Financiere Atalian SAS, 4.00%, 05/15/24	EUR 100	124,976
Mobile Mini, Inc., 5.88%, 07/01/24	USD 104	109,200
Paprec Holding SA, 5.25%, 04/01/22	EUR 100	123,794
Park Aerospace Holdings Ltd. ^(d) :		
3.63%, 03/15/21	USD 62	60,760
5.25%, 08/15/22	32	32,720
Ritchie Bros Auctioneers, Inc., 5.38%, 01/15/25 ^(d)	302	315,590
United Rentals North America, Inc., 5.75%, 11/15/24	165	174,075

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	<i>Par</i>		
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		<i>(000)</i>	
Commercial Services & Supplies (continued)			
Verisure Holding AB, 6.00%, 11/01/22	EUR	113	\$ 143,254
			5,510,665
Communications Equipment 0.5%			
CommScope Technologies Finance LLC, 6.00%, 06/15/25 ^(d)	USD	105	112,350
CommScope Technologies LLC, 5.00%, 03/15/27 ^(d)		347	347,000
CommScope, Inc., 5.50%, 06/15/24 ^(d)		227	237,782
Zayo Group LLC/Zayo Capital, Inc.: 6.00%, 04/01/23		2,321	2,415,291
6.38%, 05/15/25		175	185,719
5.75%, 01/15/27 ^(d)		380	391,400
			3,689,542
Construction & Engineering 0.5%			
BlueLine Rental Finance Corp., 9.25%, 03/15/24 ^(d)		1,697	1,837,002
Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, Inc., 8.50%, 07/15/25 ^(d)		832	882,170
Engility Corp., 8.88%, 09/01/24		468	503,100
SPIE SA, 3.13%, 03/22/24	EUR	100	124,669
Tutor Perini Corp., 6.88%, 05/01/25 ^(d)	USD	182	193,448
Weekley Homes LLC/Weekley Finance Corp., 6.63%, 08/15/25 ^(d)		52	50,708
			3,591,097
Construction Materials 0.4%			
American Tire Distributors, Inc., 10.25%, 03/01/22 ^(d)		384	392,640
H&E Equipment Services, Inc., 5.63%, 09/01/25 ^(d)		89	93,228
HD Supply, Inc., 5.75%, 04/15/24 ^(d)		2,029	2,160,885
PulteGroup, Inc., 5.50%, 03/01/26		235	254,975
Rexel SA, 3.50%, 06/15/23	EUR	130	162,651
			3,064,379
Consumer Discretionary 0.1%			
Arch Merger Sub, Inc., 8.50%, 09/15/25 ^(d)	USD	512	460,800
Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., 4.88%, 11/01/24 ^(d)		72	74,160
ServiceMaster Co. LLC, 5.13%, 11/15/24 ^(d)		156	158,340
Viking Cruises Ltd. ^(d) : 6.25%, 05/15/25		72	75,060
5.88%, 09/15/27		394	398,433
			1,166,793
Consumer Finance 0.8%			
Ally Financial, Inc.: 6.25%, 12/01/17		30	30,000
5.13%, 09/30/24		1,207	1,315,630

8.00%, 11/01/31

1,755 2,323,181

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		<i>(000)</i>		
Consumer Finance (continued)				
CDK Global, Inc., 4.88%, 06/01/27 ^(d)	USD	333	\$	342,990
IHS Markit Ltd., 4.00%, 03/01/26 ^{(d)(i)}		151		152,133
Navient Corp.:				
6.63%, 07/26/21		297		314,078
6.50%, 06/15/22		206		216,300
5.50%, 01/25/23		345		345,431
7.25%, 09/25/23		10		10,775
6.13%, 03/25/24		237		239,963
5.88%, 10/25/24		258		259,367
5.63%, 08/01/33		260		223,600
OneMain Financial Holdings LLC ^(d) :				
6.75%, 12/15/19		439		453,267
7.25%, 12/15/21		124		128,737
				6,355,452
Containers & Packaging 1.9%				
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh Holdings USA, Inc.:				
6.00%, 06/30/21 ^(d)		1,270		1,304,925
4.63%, 05/15/23 ^(d)		223		228,854
6.75%, 05/15/24	EUR	125		164,961
7.25%, 05/15/24 ^(d)	USD	2,485		2,721,075
6.00%, 02/15/25 ^(d)		1,418		1,506,767
4.75%, 07/15/27	GBP	100		136,579
Ball Corp.:				
5.00%, 03/15/22	USD	158		169,653
4.00%, 11/15/23		32		32,880
BWAY Holding Co., 5.50%, 04/15/24 ^(d)		1,144		1,192,620
Horizon Holdings I SASU, 7.25%, 08/01/23	EUR	100		126,752
International Paper Co., 7.30%, 11/15/39	USD	5		6,932
JH-Holding Finance SA, (8.25% PIK), 8.25%, 12/01/22 ^(f)	EUR	100		128,022
Mercer International, Inc., 6.50%, 02/01/24	USD	144		152,100
Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc./Reynolds Group Issuer LLC/Reynolds Group Issuer Lu:				
6.88%, 02/15/21		172		175,960
(3 mo. LIBOR US + 3.50%), 4.86%, 07/15/21 ^{(c)(d)}		1,361		1,384,817
5.13%, 07/15/23 ^(d)		372		385,950
7.00%, 07/15/24 ^(d)		1,882		2,019,245
Sappi Papier Holding GmbH, 4.00%, 04/01/23	EUR	100		124,933
Sealed Air Corp., 4.88%, 12/01/22 ^(d)	USD	278		295,027
Signode Industrial Group Lux				
SA/Signode Industrial Group US, Inc.,				
6.38%, 05/01/22 ^(d)		1,368		1,407,330

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	<i>Par</i>		
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Containers & Packaging (continued)			
Silgan Holdings, Inc., 3.25%, 03/15/25	EUR	100	\$ 123,581
Smurfit Kappa Acquisitions, 4.88%, 09/15/18 ^(d)	USD	200	202,460
Verallia Packaging SASU, 5.13%, 08/01/22	EUR	100	124,976
			14,116,399
Diversified Consumer Services 0.8%			
APX Group, Inc.:			
6.38%, 12/01/19	USD	106	107,458
8.75%, 12/01/20		331	337,934
7.88%, 12/01/22		696	744,720
GW Honos Security Corp., 8.75%, 05/15/25 ^(d)		113	120,910
Laureate Education, Inc., 8.25%, 05/01/25 ^(d)		119	125,916
Prime Security Services Borrower LLC/Prime Finance, Inc., 9.25%, 05/15/23 ^(d)		3,379	3,729,571
RBS Global, Inc./Rexnord LLC, 4.88%, 12/15/25		265	265,000
Service Corp. International, 4.50%, 11/15/20		307	310,838
Sotheby's, 5.25%, 10/01/20 ^(d)		380	388,550
			6,130,897
Diversified Financial Services 0.5%			
Aircastle Ltd.:			
5.13%, 03/15/21		33	34,939
5.50%, 02/15/22		337	362,696
Arrow Global Finance PLC, (3 mo. Euribor + 2.88%), 2.88%, 04/01/25 ^(c)	EUR	100	118,263
Banca IFIS SpA, 4.50%, 10/17/27 ^(e)		100	121,144
CNH Industrial Finance Europe SA, 1.38%, 05/23/22		100	122,905
FBM Finance, Inc., 8.25%, 08/15/21 ^(d)	USD	350	373,625
Intrum Justitia AB, (3 mo. Euribor + 2.63%), 2.63%, 07/15/22 ^(c)	EUR	100	120,667
Jefferies Finance LLC/JFIN Co-Issuer Corp. ^(d) :			
7.38%, 04/01/20	USD	625	642,188
6.88%, 04/15/22		516	524,385
ProGroup AG, 5.13%, 05/01/22	EUR	130	160,801
Tempo Acquisition LLC/Tempo Acquisition Finance Corp., 6.75%, 06/01/25 ^(d)	USD	590	593,688
UniCredit SpA:			
6.95%, 10/31/22	EUR	100	147,811
(5 year EUR Swap + 4.32%), 3.50%, 01/03/27 ^(h)		100	130,141

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	<i>(000)</i>	
Diversified Financial Services (continued)		
WMG Acquisition Corp., 4.13%, 11/01/24	EUR 100 \$	125,357
		3,578,610
Diversified Telecommunication Services 1.7%		
CenturyLink, Inc.:		
Series P, 7.60%, 09/15/39	USD 117	97,110
Series S, 6.45%, 06/15/21	1,679	1,670,605
Series U, 7.65%, 03/15/42	401	336,840
Cincinnati Bell, Inc., 7.00%, 07/15/24 ^(d)	1,054	1,022,380
Frontier Communications Corp.:		
7.13%, 01/15/23	407	284,900
7.63%, 04/15/24	579	406,748
6.88%, 01/15/25	1,750	1,198,750
Level 3 Financing, Inc.:		
5.38%, 08/15/22	713	718,347
5.13%, 05/01/23	1,120	1,120,000
5.38%, 01/15/24	646	647,615
5.38%, 05/01/25	758	760,122
5.25%, 03/15/26	340	333,413
OTE PLC, 3.50%, 07/09/20	EUR 100	125,459
SoftBank Group Corp.:		
(5 year USD ICE Swap + 4.85%), 6.88% ^{(h)(i)}	USD 935	946,687
4.75%, 09/19/24	200	198,978
4.75%, 07/30/25	EUR 129	170,874
Telecom Italia Capital SA:		
6.38%, 11/15/33	USD 579	668,745
6.00%, 09/30/34	498	555,893
7.20%, 07/18/36	397	492,776
7.72%, 06/04/38	59	76,134
Telecom Italia Finance SA, 7.75%, 01/24/33	EUR 100	185,329
Telecom Italia SpA:		
3.25%, 01/16/23	150	197,736
5.30%, 05/30/24 ^(d)	USD 896	955,629
		13,171,070
Electric Utilities 0.1%		
AES Corp., 4.88%, 05/15/23	170	173,556
NextEra Energy Operating Partners LP, 4.25%, 09/15/24 ^(d)	169	170,690
Talen Energy Supply LLC, 6.50%, 06/01/25	45	38,138

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Viridian Group FinanceCo PLC/Viridian Power and Energy, 4.00%, 09/15/25	EUR	100	119,061
			501,445
Electrical Equipment 0.0%			
Areva SA, 4.88%, 09/23/24		100	134,248
		<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Electrical Equipment (continued)			
Belden, Inc., 5.50%, 04/15/23	EUR	3 \$	3,726
			137,974
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components 0.4%			
CDW LLC/CDW Finance Corp.:			
5.00%, 09/01/23	USD	101	105,545
5.50%, 12/01/24		2,275	2,479,750
SESI LLC, 7.75%, 09/15/24 ^(d)		265	272,950
			2,858,245
Energy Equipment & Services 0.6%			
Ensco PLC, 5.20%, 03/15/25		55	45,100
Gates Global LLC/Gates Global Co.:			
5.75%, 07/15/22	EUR	100	121,678
6.00%, 07/15/22 ^(d)	USD	818	836,650
Genesis Energy LP/Genesis Energy Finance Corp.,			
5.75%, 02/15/21		103	103,901
GrafTech International Ltd., 6.38%, 11/15/20		150	149,625
Noble Holding International Ltd.,			
4.63%, 03/01/21		22	20,185
Pioneer Energy Services Corp.,			
6.13%, 03/15/22		740	599,400
Precision Drilling Corp., 6.50%, 12/15/21		4	4,070
Transocean, Inc.:			
5.80%, 10/15/22		186	184,605
9.00%, 07/15/23 ^(d)		914	987,120
6.80%, 03/15/38		267	212,933
Trinidad Drilling Ltd., 6.63%, 02/15/25 ^(d)		436	416,380
Weatherford International Ltd.:			
7.75%, 06/15/21		215	219,300
8.25%, 06/15/23		240	239,400
9.88%, 02/15/24 ^(d)		356	373,355
			4,513,702
Environmental, Maintenance, & Security Service 0.1%			
Tervita Escrow Corp., 7.63%, 12/01/21 ^(d)		1,094	1,107,675
Food & Staples Retailing 0.6%			
Albertsons Cos. LLC/Safeway, Inc./New Albertsons, Inc./Albertsons LLC:			
6.63%, 06/15/24		204	192,780
5.75%, 03/15/25		54	48,044
B&M European Value Retail SA, 4.13%, 02/01/22	GBP	100	139,164

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Casino Guichard Perrachon SA:

4.56%, 01/25/23	EUR	100	134,774
4.50%, 03/07/24		200	267,311

Dollar Tree, Inc.:

5.25%, 03/01/20	USD	69	70,380
5.75%, 03/01/23		2,882	3,015,292

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	<i>(000)</i>		
<i>Security</i>			
Food & Staples Retailing (continued)			
Lamb Weston Holdings, Inc., 4.63%, 11/01/24 ^(d)	USD 30	\$	31,013
Post Holdings, Inc., 5.63%, 01/15/28 ^{(d)(i)}	202		203,515
Rite Aid Corp., 6.13%, 04/01/23 ^(d)	218		201,650
			4,303,923
Food Products 0.6%			
Acosta, Inc., 7.75%, 10/01/22 ^(d)	272		197,200
B&G Foods, Inc., 5.25%, 04/01/25	200		204,480
Chobani LLC/Chobani Finance Corp., Inc., 7.50%, 04/15/25 ^(d)	598		650,325
JBS USA LLC/JBS USA Finance, Inc., 5.75%, 06/15/25 ^(d)	957		934,271
Pilgrim's Pride Corp. ^(d) : 5.75%, 03/15/25	299		313,800
5.88%, 09/30/27	138		144,038
Post Holdings, Inc. ^(d) : 5.50%, 03/01/25	50		51,938
5.00%, 08/15/26	1,548		1,534,455
5.75%, 03/01/27	131		133,659
TreeHouse Foods, Inc., 6.00%, 02/15/24 ^(d)	274		286,673
			4,450,839
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 1.1%			
Avantor, Inc.: 4.75%, 10/01/24	EUR 100		120,567
6.00%, 10/01/24 ^(d)	USD 3,050		3,051,906
Crimson Merger Sub, Inc., 6.63%, 05/15/22 ^(d)	2,159		2,137,410
DJO Finco, Inc./DJO Finance LLC/DJO Finance Corp., 8.13%, 06/15/21 ^(d)	1,302		1,232,831
Mallinckrodt International Finance SA/Mallinckrodt CB LLC ^(d) : 4.88%, 04/15/20	350		337,750
5.75%, 08/01/22	1,020		940,950
5.63%, 10/15/23	236		207,090
5.50%, 04/15/25	125		105,313
			8,133,817
Health Care Providers & Services 2.5%			
Acadia Healthcare Co., Inc.: 5.13%, 07/01/22	708		707,214
5.63%, 02/15/23	105		105,525

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6.50%, 03/01/24		122		125,965
Amsurg Corp., 5.63%, 07/15/22		50		51,000
Centene Corp.:				
5.63%, 02/15/21		716		739,270
4.75%, 05/15/22		67		69,547
6.13%, 02/15/24		311		332,770
4.75%, 01/15/25		855		877,059
			<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>			<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Health Care Providers & Services (continued)				
CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.:				
8.00%, 11/15/19	USD	400	\$	358,500
7.13%, 07/15/20		4		3,120
5.13%, 08/01/21		463		434,063
DaVita, Inc., 5.13%, 07/15/24		517		526,047
Eagle Holding Co. II LLC, (7.63% Cash or 8.38% PIK), 7.63%, 05/15/22 ^{(d)(f)}		342		347,130
Envision Healthcare Corp., 6.25%, 12/01/24 ^(d)		115		121,181
HCA, Inc.:				
6.50%, 02/15/20		175		187,906
5.88%, 03/15/22		778		843,157
5.00%, 03/15/24		804		844,200
5.88%, 02/15/26		1,427		1,517,971
5.25%, 06/15/26		1,179		1,251,951
4.50%, 02/15/27		35		35,490
5.50%, 06/15/47		1,593		1,612,912
HealthSouth Corp., 5.75%, 11/01/24		179		183,251
MEDNAX, Inc., 5.25%, 12/01/23 ^(d)		208		213,200
MPH Acquisition Holdings LLC, 7.13%, 06/01/24 ^(d)		695		746,256
Polaris Intermediate Corp., (8.50% Cash)12/01/22 ^{(d)(f)}		734		763,654
RegionalCare Hospital Partners Holdings, Inc., 8.25%, 05/01/23 ^(d)		169		172,803
Sterigenics-Nordion Holdings LLC, 6.50%, 05/15/23 ^(d)		128		134,400
Surgery Center Holdings, Inc., 8.88%, 04/15/21 ^(d)		322		324,415
Tenet Healthcare Corp.:				
6.00%, 10/01/20		1,395		1,464,750
7.50%, 01/01/22 ^(d)		254		267,970
8.13%, 04/01/22		2,540		2,514,600
4.63%, 07/15/24 ^(d)		243		239,355
THC Escrow Corp. III, 5.13%, 05/01/25 ^(d)		213		205,013
Vizient, Inc., 10.38%, 03/01/24 ^(d)		398		449,740
				18,771,385
Health Care Technology 0.0%				
Quintiles IMS, Inc., 3.25%, 03/15/25 ^(d)	EUR	100		122,832

Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 2.2%

Burger King France SAS:

(3 mo. Euribor + 5.25%), 5.25%, 05/01/23 ^(c)	100	122,003
6.00%, 05/01/24	100	130,332
Cirsa Funding Luxembourg SA, 5.88%, 05/15/23	100	124,976
Codere Finance 2 Luxembourg SA, 6.75%, 11/01/21	100	125,846

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Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure (continued)		
CRC Escrow Issuer LLC/CRC Finco, Inc., 5.25%, 10/15/25 ^(d)	USD 794	\$ 794,993
ESH Hospitality, Inc., 5.25%, 05/01/25 ^(d)	183	186,203
GLP Capital LP/GLP Financing II, Inc., 5.38%, 04/15/26	99	106,858
Golden Nugget, Inc., 6.75%, 10/15/24 ^(d)	60	61,275
Jacobs Entertainment, Inc., 7.88%, 02/01/24 ^(d)	165	177,375
KFC Holding Co./Pizza Hut Holdings LLC/Taco Bell of America LLC ^(d) : 5.00%, 06/01/24	66	69,135
5.25%, 06/01/26	234	247,455
4.75%, 06/01/27	223	228,218
MGM Resorts International: 5.25%, 03/31/20	1,261	1,327,202
6.75%, 10/01/20	275	300,696
6.63%, 12/15/21	1,352	1,504,086
4.63%, 09/01/26	987	1,006,740
New Red Finance, Inc. ^(d) : 4.25%, 05/15/24	7	7,011
5.00%, 10/15/25	2,935	3,006,541
Sabre GBLB, Inc., 5.25%, 11/15/23 ^(d)	221	229,288
Scientific Games International, Inc.: 7.00%, 01/01/22 ^(d)	2,714	2,863,270
10.00%, 12/01/22	2,189	2,410,636
Six Flags Entertainment Corp. ^(d) : 4.88%, 07/31/24	925	941,187
5.50%, 04/15/27	15	15,525
Station Casinos LLC, 5.00%, 10/01/25 ^(d)	572	571,788
Unique Pub Finance Co. PLC, Series A4, 5.66%, 06/30/27	GBP 63	95,836
Vue International Bidco PLC, 7.88%, 07/15/20	147	202,819
		16,857,294
Household Durables 0.6%		
Brookfield Residential Properties, Inc./Brookfield Residential US Corp., 6.13%, 07/01/22 ^(d)	USD 285	297,554
CalAtlantic Group, Inc.: 8.38%, 01/15/21	852	985,125
5.25%, 06/01/26	193	202,650
K Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. ^(d) :		

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10.00%, 07/15/22		147	160,230
10.50%, 07/15/24		131	145,083
Lennar Corp.:			
4.75%, 11/15/22		118	124,638
4.88%, 12/15/23		265	278,250
4.75%, 11/29/27 ^(d)		605	618,612
		<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Household Durables (continued)			
Mattamy Group Corp., 6.50%, 10/01/25 ^(d)	USD	90	\$ 94,275
Ryland Group, Inc., 6.63%, 05/01/20		130	141,375
Tempur Sealy International, Inc., 5.50%, 06/15/26		227	232,391
Toll Brothers Finance Corp., 6.75%, 11/01/19		110	118,250
TRI Pointe Group, Inc., 4.88%, 07/01/21		525	549,938
TRI Pointe Group, Inc./TRI Pointe Homes, Inc., 4.38%, 06/15/19		435	443,700
			4,392,071
Household Products 0.0%			
Diamond BC BV, 5.63%, 08/15/25	EUR	102	123,517
Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Producers 0.8%			
AES Corp., 6.00%, 05/15/26	USD	201	218,085
Calpine Corp.:			
5.50%, 02/01/24		128	123,680
5.25%, 06/01/26 ^(d)		948	958,665
Dynegy, Inc.:			
7.38%, 11/01/22		231	246,881
8.00%, 01/15/25 ^(d)		348	382,800
8.13%, 01/30/26 ^(d)		217	241,413
NRG Energy, Inc.:			
6.63%, 01/15/27		1,358	1,463,245
5.75% 01/15/28		578	578,000
NRG Yield Operating LLC, 5.38%, 08/15/24		341	353,787
QEP Resources, Inc., 5.38%, 10/01/22		515	527,231
TerraForm Power Operating LLC^(d):			
4.25%, 01/31/23 ⁽ⁱ⁾		222	222,555
6.38%, 02/01/23 ^(k)		205	216,070
5.00%, 01/31/28 ⁽ⁱ⁾		222	222,833
			5,755,245
Industrial Conglomerates 0.3%			
Colfax Corp., 3.25%, 05/15/25	EUR	100	122,685
Vertiv Group Corp., 9.25%, 10/15/24 ^(d)	USD	1,747	1,897,679
			2,020,364
Insurance 0.5%			
Ardonagh Midco 3 PLC, 8.38%, 07/15/23	GBP	100	139,297
Assicurazioni Generali SpA^(h):			
(3 mo. Euribor + 7.11%), 7.75%, 12/12/42	EUR	100	153,840

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(3 mo. Euribor + 5.35%), 5.50%, 10/27/47		100	143,366
Groupama SA, 6.00%, 01/23/27		100	149,971
HUB International Ltd., 7.88%, 10/01/21 ^(d)	USD	1,138	1,183,520
Old Mutual PLC, 8.00%, 06/03/21	GBP	100	156,666

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<i>Security</i>	<i>Par</i>	<i>Value</i>
	<i>(000)</i>	
Insurance (continued)		
USIS Merger Sub, Inc., 6.88%, 05/01/25 ^(d)	USD 23	\$ 23,287
Wayne Merger Sub LLC, 8.25%, 08/01/23 ^(d)	1,936	2,027,960
		3,977,907
Internet Software & Services 0.3%		
Equinix, Inc., 5.88%, 01/15/26	997	1,081,745
Netflix, Inc.:		
4.38%, 11/15/26 ^(d)	49	48,081
3.63%, 05/15/27	EUR 100	119,620
4.88%, 04/15/28 ^(d)	USD 450	444,938
Symantec Corp., 5.00%, 04/15/25 ^(d)	422	442,889
United Group BV, 4.38%, 07/01/22	EUR 126	156,345
		2,293,618
IT Services 1.5%		
Ceridian HCM Holding, Inc., 11.00%, 03/15/21 ^(d)	USD 795	836,737
First Data Corp. ^(d) :		
7.00%, 12/01/23	3,353	3,554,180
5.75%, 01/15/24	5,296	5,494,600
Gartner, Inc., 5.13%, 04/01/25 ^(d)	320	334,400
WEX, Inc., 4.75%, 02/01/23 ^(d)	826	844,585
		11,064,502
Machinery 0.2%		
SPX FLOW, Inc. ^(d) :		
5.63%, 08/15/24	359	377,848
5.88%, 08/15/26	359	380,540
Terex Corp., 5.63%, 02/01/25 ^(d)	940	992,287
		1,750,675
Media 7.3%		
Altice Financing SA, 7.50%, 05/15/26 ^(d)	594	620,730
Altice Luxembourg SA:		
7.75%, 05/15/22 ^(d)	1,690	1,609,725
6.25%, 02/15/25	EUR 100	111,876
Altice US Finance I Corp. ^(d) :		
5.38%, 07/15/23	USD 2,707	2,754,372
5.50%, 05/15/26	637	644,962
AMC Networks, Inc.:		
5.00%, 04/01/24	259	262,238
4.75%, 08/01/25	528	524,040

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Cablevision Systems Corp., 8.00%, 04/15/20	502	537,140
CBS Radio, Inc., 7.25%, 11/01/24 ^{(d)(m)}	159	167,348
CCO Holdings LLC/CCO Holdings Capital Corp.:		
5.13%, 02/15/23	380	389,500
4.00%, 03/01/23 ^(d)	448	447,720
5.13%, 05/01/27 ^(d)	4,312	4,271,575
5.00%, 02/01/28 ^(d)	983	963,340
	<i>Par</i>	
	(000)	<i>Value</i>
<i>Security</i>		
Media (continued)		
Cequel Communications Holdings I LLC/Cequel Capital Corp. ^(d) :		
6.38%, 09/15/20	USD 294	\$ 298,042
5.13%, 12/15/21	1,670	1,671,536
7.75%, 07/15/25	2,044	2,176,860
Charter Communications Operating LLC/Charter Communications Operating Capital,		
4.91%, 07/23/25	1,300	1,373,355
Clear Channel International BV, 8.75%, 12/15/20 ^(d)	762	786,765
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc.:		
6.50%, 11/15/22	6,604	6,689,279
Series B, 7.63%, 03/15/20	1,993	1,973,070
CSC Holdings LLC:		
10.13%, 01/15/23 ^(d)	1,250	1,410,937
5.25%, 06/01/24	996	970,789
6.63%, 10/15/25 ^(d)	400	431,000
10.88%, 10/15/25 ^(d)	3,849	4,549,037
DISH DBS Corp.:		
5.88%, 07/15/22	1,537	1,581,189
5.00%, 03/15/23	281	274,326
5.88%, 11/15/24	152	153,140
7.75%, 07/01/26	2,068	2,230,855
eircom Finance DAC, 4.50%, 05/31/22	EUR 100	123,453
Hughes Satellite Systems Corp.:		
5.25%, 08/01/26	USD 1,433	1,454,581
6.63%, 08/01/26	381	398,621
iHeartCommunications, Inc.:		
9.00%, 12/15/19	492	365,310
9.00%, 03/01/21	160	114,800
10.63%, 03/15/23	740	527,250
Intelsat Jackson Holdings SA:		
5.50%, 08/01/23	23	18,831
9.75%, 07/15/25 ^(d)	485	469,844
LG Finance Co. Corp., 5.88%, 11/01/24 ^(d)	231	243,994
LGE HoldCo VI BV, 7.13%, 05/15/24	EUR 100	131,868
MDC Partners, Inc., 6.50%, 05/01/24 ^(d)	USD 490	492,450
Midcontinent Communications/Midcontinent Finance Corp., 6.88%, 08/15/23 ^(d)	463	491,937
NAI Entertainment Holdings/NAI Entertainment Holdings Finance Corp.,		
5.00%, 08/01/18 ^(d)	538	538,000
Numericable Group SA, 5.38%, 05/15/22	EUR 100	121,204
Outfront Media Capital LLC/Outfront Media Capital Corp., 5.25%, 02/15/22	USD 130	133,656
SFR Group SA ^(d) :		

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6.00%, 05/15/22	1,192	1,201,691
7.38%, 05/01/26	2,109	2,124,564

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	<i>(000)</i>		
<i>Security</i>			
Media (continued)			
Sirius XM Radio, Inc., 4.63%, 05/15/23 ^(d)	USD 60	\$	61,650
Sterling Entertainment Corp., 9.75%, 12/15/19 ^(a)	1,300		1,287,000
TEGNA, Inc.:			
5.13%, 10/15/19	115		116,581
5.50%, 09/15/24 ^(d)	172		179,095
Telenet Finance Luxembourg Notes Sarl, 5.50%, 03/01/28 ^(d)	200		200,000
Telesat Canada/Telesat LLC, 8.88%, 11/15/24 ^(d)	399		445,882
Tribune Media Co., 5.88%, 07/15/22	448		456,960
Unitymedia Hessen GmbH & Co. KG/Unitymedia NRW GmbH:			
4.00%, 01/15/25	EUR 198		249,315
5.00%, 01/15/25 ^(d)	USD 400		413,500
Univision Communications, Inc., 5.13%, 05/15/23 ^(d)	381		381,000
Videotron Ltd., 5.13%, 04/15/27 ^(d)	632		662,020
Virgin Media Finance PLC, 5.75%, 01/15/25 ^(d)	967		988,757
Virgin Media Receivables Financing Notes I DAC, 5.50%, 09/15/24	GBP 200		276,230
Virgin Media Secured Finance PLC:			
4.88%, 01/15/27	100		138,824
6.25%, 03/28/29	233		340,334
			55,023,948
Metals & Mining 4.0%			
Alcoa Nederland Holding BV, 7.00%, 09/30/26 ^(d)	USD 270		305,100
ArcelorMittal, 3.13%, 01/14/22	EUR 100		130,196
Big River Steel LLC/BRS Finance Corp., 7.25%, 09/01/25 ^(d)	USD 317		336,813
Constellium NV ^(d) :			
5.75%, 05/15/24	250		258,125
5.88%, 02/15/26	926		959,660
First Quantum Minerals Ltd. ^(d) :			
7.00%, 02/15/21	730		757,375
7.25%, 05/15/22	235		243,813
FMG Resources August 2006 Property Ltd., 9.75%, 03/01/22 ^(d)	553		615,212
Freeport-McMoRan, Inc.:			
2.38%, 03/15/18	2,868		2,864,415
3.10%, 03/15/20	430		430,537
4.00%, 11/14/21	804		808,422
3.55%, 03/01/22	1,039		1,024,714
3.88%, 03/15/23	3,983		3,937,594
5.40%, 11/14/34	1,271		1,236,047
5.45%, 03/15/43	1,354		1,282,509
Grinding Media, Inc./Moly-Cop AltaSteel Ltd., 7.38%, 12/15/23 ^(d)	542		582,650
<i>Security</i>	<i>Par</i>		<i>Value</i>

			(000)
Metals & Mining (continued)			
Joseph T Ryerson & Son, Inc., 11.00%, 05/15/22 ^(d)	USD	482	\$ 543,214
Kinross Gold Corp., 6.88%, 09/01/41		180	204,525
Novelis Corp. ^(d) :			
6.25%, 08/15/24		2,118	2,229,195
5.88%, 09/30/26		2,470	2,559,537
Nyrstar Netherlands Holdings BV, 6.88%, 03/15/24	EUR	100	126,202
Ovako AB, 5.00%, 10/05/22		100	121,328
Steel Dynamics, Inc.:			
5.13%, 10/01/21	USD	790	810,737
5.25%, 04/15/23		295	303,939
5.50%, 10/01/24		138	146,887
4.13%, 09/15/25 ^(d)		243	243,608
5.00%, 12/15/26		35	36,991
Teck Resources Ltd.:			
3.75%, 02/01/23		1,348	1,361,480
8.50%, 06/01/24 ^(d)		1,257	1,426,695
6.13%, 10/01/35		181	203,625
6.00%, 08/15/40		811	900,210
5.20%, 03/01/42		1,118	1,106,820
5.40%, 02/01/43		977	981,885
thyssenKrupp AG, 1.38%, 03/03/22	EUR	75	90,779
United States Steel Corp.:			
8.38%, 07/01/21 ^(d)	USD	624	681,720
6.88%, 08/15/25		146	151,081
			30,003,640
Multi-Utilities 0.2%			
NGL Energy Partners LP/NGL Energy Finance Corp.:			
6.88%, 10/15/21		390	395,850
7.50%, 11/01/23		780	801,450
			1,197,300
Multiline Retail 0.1%			
Neiman Marcus Group Ltd. ^(d) :			
8.00%, 10/15/21		1,035	589,950
(8.75% Cash or 9.50% PIK), 8.75%, 10/15/21 ^(f)		157	84,848
			674,798
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 6.4%			
Andeavor Logistics LP, Series A, 6.88% ^{(e)(i)(j)}		402	406,945
Andeavor Logistics LP/Tesoro Logistics Finance Corp.:			
6.13%, 10/15/21		81	83,481
6.25%, 10/15/22		833	884,896
Ascent Resources Utica Holdings LLC/ARU Finance Corp., 10.00%, 04/01/22 ^(d)		548	595,950

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<i>Security</i>		
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (continued)		
California Resources Corp., 8.00%, 12/15/22 ^(d)	USD 391	\$ 289,340
Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc., 6.25%, 04/15/23	180	184,275
Cheniere Corpus Christi Holdings LLC:		
7.00%, 06/30/24	442	501,670
5.88%, 03/31/25	1,250	1,354,687
5.13%, 06/30/27 ^(d)	1,062	1,095,187
Cheniere Energy Partners LP,		
5.25%, 10/01/25 ^(d)	425	436,156
Chesapeake Energy Corp. ^(d) :		
8.00%, 12/15/22	95	101,413
8.00%, 01/15/25	378	376,110
8.00%, 06/15/27	874	837,117
CONSOL Energy, Inc.:		
5.88%, 04/15/22	6,328	6,470,380
8.00%, 04/01/23	40	42,700
Continental Resources, Inc., 3.80%, 06/01/24	598	589,030
Covey Park Energy LLC/Covey Park Finance Corp., 7.50%, 05/15/25 ^(d)	424	443,080
Crestwood Midstream Partners LP/Crestwood Midstream Finance Corp., 6.25%, 04/01/23	90	93,150
CrownRock LP/CrownRock Finance, Inc., 5.63%, 10/15/25 ^(d)	750	753,750
DCP Midstream LLC ^(d) :		
4.75%, 09/30/21	745	765,487
6.45%, 11/03/36	250	267,500
6.75%, 09/15/37	426	455,820
DEA Finance SA, 7.50%, 10/15/22	EUR 100	132,638
Denbury Resources, Inc.:		
5.50%, 05/01/22	USD 690	448,500
4.63%, 07/15/23	188	113,740
Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., 7.88%, 08/15/25	118	123,015
Eclipse Resources Corp., 8.88%, 07/15/23	140	143,150
Endeavor Energy Resources LP/EER Finance, Inc., 5.50%, 01/30/26 ^{(d)(i)}	152	153,900
Energy Transfer Equity LP:		
7.50%, 10/15/20	200	222,000
4.25%, 03/15/23	221	222,658
5.88%, 01/15/24	838	898,755
5.50%, 06/01/27	686	715,155
EP Energy LLC/Everest Acquisition Finance, Inc.:		
9.38%, 05/01/20	493	364,820
8.00%, 11/29/24 ^(d)	499	499,000
<i>Security</i>	<i>Par</i>	<i>Value</i>

		(000)	
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (continued)			
Extraction Oil & Gas Holdings LLC/Extraction Finance Corp., 7.88%, 07/15/21 ^(d)	USD	856	\$ 905,220
Extraction Oil & Gas, Inc., 7.38%, 05/15/24 ^(d)		102	108,630
Genesis Energy LP/Genesis Energy Finance Corp., 6.50%, 10/01/25		184	189,060
Great Western Petroleum LLC/Great Western Finance, Inc., 9.00%, 09/30/21 ^(d)		149	153,843
Gulfport Energy Corp.:			
6.63%, 05/01/23		215	219,838
6.00%, 10/15/24		192	192,720
6.38%, 05/15/25		212	213,590
Halcon Resources Corp., 6.75%, 02/15/25 ^(d)		661	670,915
Hess Infrastructure Partners LP/Hess Infrastructure Partners Finance Corp., 5.63%, 02/15/26 ^(d)		522	535,702
MEG Energy Corp. ^(d) :			
6.38%, 01/30/23		54	49,478
7.00%, 03/31/24		607	546,300
6.50%, 01/15/25		1,812	1,775,760
Murphy Oil Corp.:			
6.88%, 08/15/24		673	724,316
5.88%, 12/01/42		83	81,755
NGPL PipeCo LLC ^(d) :			
4.38%, 08/15/22		240	246,000
4.88%, 08/15/27		2	2,076
7.77%, 12/15/37		1,177	1,453,595
Noble Holding International Ltd., 7.75%, 01/15/24		378	326,970
Oasis Petroleum, Inc.:			
6.50%, 11/01/21		268	271,350
6.88%, 03/15/22		227	231,256
6.88%, 01/15/23		65	66,219
ONEOK, Inc., 6.00%, 06/15/35		165	186,078
Paramount Resources Ltd., 6.88%, 06/30/23 ^(d)		953	1,013,754
Parker Drilling Co., 7.50%, 08/01/20		195	178,425
Parsley Energy LLC/Parsley Finance Corp. ^(d) :			
5.38%, 01/15/25		315	318,937
5.63%, 10/15/27		310	316,780
Petroleos Mexicanos, 5.38%, 03/13/22 ^(d)		102	109,038
Precision Drilling Corp., 7.75%, 12/15/23		150	154,875
QEP Resources, Inc., 5.25%, 05/01/23		95	96,188
Range Resources Corp.:			
5.88%, 07/01/22		1,015	1,042,912
4.88%, 05/15/25		328	319,800

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<i>Security</i>			
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (continued)			
Resolute Energy Corp., 8.50%, 05/01/20	USD 639	\$	649,384
Rockies Express Pipeline LLC ^(d) :			
6.85%, 07/15/18	99		100,856
Rockies Express Pipeline LLC ^(d) :			
6.00%, 01/15/19	26		26,837
5.63%, 04/15/20	140		146,650
6.88%, 04/15/40	564		635,205
Rowan Cos., Inc.:			
4.88%, 06/01/22	95		90,695
4.75%, 01/15/24	80		71,200
7.38%, 06/15/25	1,221		1,227,105
RSP Permian, Inc.:			
6.63%, 10/01/22	356		374,690
5.25%, 01/15/25	408		416,160
Sanchez Energy Corp.:			
7.75%, 06/15/21	672		636,720
6.13%, 01/15/23	1,593		1,344,094
SESI LLC, 7.13%, 12/15/21	180		183,825
Seven Generations Energy Ltd.,			
5.38%, 09/30/25 ^(d)	521		523,605
SM Energy Co.:			
6.50%, 11/15/21	300		302,250
6.50%, 01/01/23	34		34,340
5.00%, 01/15/24	931		891,432
5.63%, 06/01/25	16		15,400
Southwestern Energy Co.:			
6.70%, 01/23/25	90		93,600
7.50%, 04/01/26	371		396,970
7.75%, 10/01/27	182		194,740
Tallgrass Energy Partners LP/Tallgrass			
Energy Finance Corp. ^(d) :			
5.50%, 09/15/24	146		151,475
5.50%, 01/15/28	621		639,630
Targa Resources Partners LP/Targa Resources Partners Finance Corp.:			
5.13%, 02/01/25	248		253,580
5.38%, 02/01/27	2		2,050
5.00%, 01/15/28 ^(d)	882		875,385
Weatherford International LLC,			
6.80%, 06/15/37	157		126,385
Weatherford International Ltd.:			
6.50%, 08/01/36	502		401,600

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7.00%, 03/15/38	180	149,850
5.95%, 04/15/42	189	144,113
Whiting Petroleum Corp., 5.00%, 03/15/19	794	799,955
Williams Cos., Inc., 5.75%, 06/24/44	1,453	1,531,099
WPX Energy, Inc.:		
7.50%, 08/01/20	77	83,545
6.00%, 01/15/22	521	536,630
8.25%, 08/01/23	400	451,500
	<i>Par</i>	

Security (000) *Value*

Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (continued)

WPX Energy, Inc. (continued):

5.25%, 09/15/24	USD	158	\$	155,235
				48,424,625

Pharmaceuticals 1.2%

Ephios Bondco PLC, 6.25%, 07/01/22	EUR	100		126,166
Ephios Holdco II PLC, 8.25%, 07/01/23		100		129,886
inVentiv Group Holdings, Inc./inVentiv Health, Inc./inVentiv Health Clinical, Inc., 7.50%, 10/01/24 ^(d)	USD	553		606,917
Jaguar Holding Co. II/Pharmaceutical Product Development LLC, 6.38%, 08/01/23 ^(d)		2,123		2,186,690
Nidda Healthcare Holding AG, 3.50%, 09/30/24	EUR	100		121,405
Team Health Holdings, Inc., 6.38%, 02/01/25 ^(d)	USD	400		362,000
Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands II BV, 1.25%, 03/31/23	EUR	100		109,398
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, Inc. ^(d) :				
7.50%, 07/15/21	USD	616		608,300
6.75%, 08/15/21		457		446,718
5.63%, 12/01/21		330		306,900
6.50%, 03/15/22		742		779,100
7.25%, 07/15/22		1,087		1,059,825
7.00%, 03/15/24		1,166		1,249,077
6.13%, 04/15/25		217		186,078
5.50%, 11/01/25		811		821,219
				9,099,679

Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) 0.5%

MGM Growth Properties Operating Partnership LP/MGP Finance Co-Issuer, Inc.:

5.63%, 05/01/24		1,453		1,554,710
4.50%, 09/01/26		1,279		1,288,592
NH Hotel Group SA, 3.75%, 10/01/23	EUR	129		162,509
Starwood Property Trust, Inc.:				
5.00%, 12/15/21	USD	638		664,318
4.75%, 03/15/25 ^{(d)(i)}		98		97,755

3,767,884

Real Estate Management & Development 0.4%

ADLER Real Estate AG:

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4.75%, 04/08/20	EUR	100	124,333
2.13%, 02/06/24		100	117,812
Greystar Real Estate Partners LLC, 5.75%, 12/01/25 ^(d)	USD	218	224,540
Howard Hughes Corp., 5.38%, 03/15/25 ^(d)		283	290,783

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Real Estate Management & Development (continued)		
Realogy Group LLC/Realogy Co-Issuer Corp. ^(d) :		
4.50%, 04/15/19	USD 391	\$ 397,842
5.25%, 12/01/21	487	506,480
4.88%, 06/01/23	985	992,387
RESIDOMO Sro, 3.38%, 10/15/24	EUR 100	122,001
Rialto Holdings LLC/Rialto Corp., 7.00%, 12/01/18 ^(d)	USD 245	245,613
		3,021,791
Road & Rail 0.5%		
Avis Budget Car Rental LLC/Avis Budget Finance, Inc., 5.13%, 06/01/22 ^(d)	1,335	1,343,344
EC Finance PLC, 2.38%, 11/15/22	EUR 100	122,023
Herc Rentals, Inc. ^(d) :		
7.50%, 06/01/22	USD 144	155,160
7.75%, 06/01/24	228	249,683
Hertz Corp., 7.63%, 06/01/22 ^(d)	378	390,179
Loxam SAS:		
3.50%, 05/03/23	EUR 100	124,351
6.00%, 04/15/25	100	129,985
United Rentals North America, Inc.:		
4.63%, 07/15/23	USD 114	117,420
5.50%, 07/15/25	2	2,127
4.63%, 10/15/25	492	501,348
4.88%, 01/15/28	203	205,284
Watco Cos. LLC/Watco Finance Corp., 6.38%, 04/01/23 ^(d)	350	362,250
		3,703,154
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 0.1%		
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc., 7.50%, 08/15/22	200	226,000
Micron Technology, Inc., 5.50%, 02/01/25	24	25,380
Microsemi Corp., 9.13%, 04/15/23 ^(d)	35	39,594
Sensata Technologies BV ^(d) :		
5.63%, 11/01/24	220	243,100
5.00%, 10/01/25	288	307,440
Sensata Technologies UK Financing Co. PLC, 6.25%, 02/15/26 ^(d)	200	217,500

				1,059,014
Software 2.3%				
BMC Software Finance, Inc., 8.13%, 07/15/21 ^(d)		791		800,642
Genesys Telecommunications Laboratories Inc/Greeneden Lux 3 Sarl/Greeneden US Holdings LLC, 10.00%, 11/30/24 ^(d)		523		585,760
		<i>Par</i>		
<i>Security</i>			<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Software (continued)				
Infor Software Parent LLC/Infor Software Parent, Inc., (7.13% Cash or 7.88% PIK), 7.13%, 05/01/21 ^{(d)(f)}	USD	1,666	\$	1,707,650
Infor US, Inc., 6.50%, 05/15/22		3,047		3,138,410
Informatica LLC, 7.13%, 07/15/23 ^(d)		1,059		1,080,180
Nuance Communications, Inc.: 5.38%, 08/15/20 ^(d)		437		443,118
6.00%, 07/01/24		835		893,450
PTC, Inc., 6.00%, 05/15/24		197		211,283
Rackspace Hosting, Inc., 8.63%, 11/15/24 ^(d)		405		434,363
RP Crown Parent LLC, 7.38%, 10/15/24 ^(d)		145		151,163
Solera LLC/Solera Finance, Inc., 10.50%, 03/01/24 ^(d)		2,690		3,026,250
SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc., 5.88%, 07/15/23		1,485		1,570,387
TIBCO Software, Inc., 11.38%, 12/01/21 ^(d)		1,466		1,594,275
Veritas US, Inc./Veritas Bermuda Ltd. ^(d) : 7.50%, 02/01/23		369		387,450
10.50%, 02/01/24		1,279		1,339,752
				17,364,133
Specialty Retail 0.3%				
Asbury Automotive Group, Inc., 6.00%, 12/15/24		1,041		1,085,242
Group 1 Automotive, Inc., 5.25%, 12/15/23 ^(d)		69		71,415
JC Penney Corp., Inc.: 8.13%, 10/01/19		111		112,388
7.40%, 04/01/37		115		72,450
L Brands, Inc., 6.88%, 11/01/35		208		210,080
Masaria Investments SAU, 5.00%, 09/15/24	EUR	100		120,721
Penske Automotive Group, Inc., 5.75%, 10/01/22	USD	288		296,820
PetSmart, Inc., 5.88%, 06/01/25 ^(d)		401		344,860
Shop Direct Funding PLC, 7.75%, 11/15/22	GBP	100		128,157
				2,442,133
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals 0.6%				
Dell International LLC/EMC Corp. ^(d) : 7.13%, 06/15/24	USD	1,277		1,388,163
6.02%, 06/15/26		245		269,331
8.35%, 07/15/46		385		484,439

Western Digital Corp.:
7.38%, 04/01/23^(d)

521 566,587

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<i>Security</i>		
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals (continued)		
Western Digital Corp. (continued):		
10.50%, 04/01/24	USD 1,315	\$ 1,527,372
		4,235,892
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods 0.0%		
BiSoho SAS, 5.88%, 05/01/23	EUR 54	69,673
Levi Strauss & Co., 3.38%, 03/15/27	100	125,422
		195,095
Thrifts & Mortgage Finance 0.1%		
Jerrold Finco PLC, 6.25%, 09/15/21	GBP 100	139,865
Ladder Capital Finance Holdings LLLP/Ladder Capital Finance Corp. ^(d) :		
5.25%, 03/15/22	USD 225	232,313
5.25%, 10/01/25	316	315,210
		687,388
Trading Companies & Distributors 0.0%		
Ashtead Capital, Inc., 5.63%, 10/01/24 ^(d)	320	339,200
Transportation Infrastructure 0.1%		
CMA CGM SA, 7.75%, 01/15/21	EUR 100	124,313
Swissport Financing Sarl:		
6.75%, 12/15/21	100	124,976
9.75%, 12/15/22	100	127,644
WFS Global Holding SAS, 9.50%, 07/15/22	100	127,654
		504,587
Utilities 0.0%		
ContourGlobal Power Holdings SA, 5.13%, 06/15/21	100	124,307
Wireless Telecommunication Services 2.7%		
Crown Castle Towers LLC, 6.11%, 01/15/40 ^(d)	USD 375	397,048
CyrusOne LP/CyrusOne Finance Corp. ^(d) :		
5.00%, 03/15/24	797	828,880
5.38%, 03/15/27	62	64,945
Digicel Group Ltd., 7.13%, 04/01/22 ^(d)	485	438,086
Digicel Ltd., 6.00%, 04/15/21 ^(d)	2,228	2,149,240
Equinix, Inc., 2.88%, 10/01/25	EUR 100	121,432

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GEO Group, Inc.:			
5.88%, 01/15/22	USD	90	92,813
5.13%, 04/01/23		373	374,865
5.88%, 10/15/24		608	629,280
6.00%, 04/15/26		100	103,750
Iron Mountain, Inc., 3.00%, 01/15/25	EUR	100	121,939
Matterhorn Telecom SA:			
3.88%, 05/01/22		100	121,828
4.00%, 11/15/27		100	117,816

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Security (000) Value

Wireless Telecommunication Services (continued)

Radiate Holdco LLC/Radiate Finance, Inc., 6.63%, 02/15/25 ^(d)	USD	380	\$ 363,850
SBA Communication Corp., 4.00%, 10/01/22 ^(d)		499	501,495
Sprint Capital Corp.:			
6.90%, 05/01/19		270	283,838
6.88%, 11/15/28		1,748	1,793,885
8.75%, 03/15/32		262	303,265
Sprint Communications, Inc., 7.00%, 03/01/20 ^(d)		402	430,642
Sprint Corp.:			
7.88%, 09/15/23		1,079	1,162,622
7.13%, 06/15/24		4,437	4,617,275
7.63%, 02/15/25		745	791,190
Sprint Spectrum Co. LLC/Sprint Spectrum Co. II LLC/Sprint Spectrum Co. III LLC, 3.36%, 03/20/23 ^(d)		1,629	1,641,706
T-Mobile USA, Inc.:			
6.13%, 01/15/22		81	83,835
6.00%, 03/01/23		653	685,111
6.63%, 04/01/23		362	378,742
6.84%, 04/28/23		85	89,250
6.50%, 01/15/24		584	619,770
Uniti Group LP/Uniti Group Finance, Inc./CSL Capital LLC, 8.25%, 10/15/23		745	713,337
VICI Properties 1 LLC/VICI FC, Inc., 8.00%, 10/15/23		406	452,149
Wind Tre SpA, 5.00%, 01/20/26 ^(d)		200	191,580

20,665,464

Total Corporate Bonds 54.6%

(Cost \$410,240,242)

412,906,730

Floating Rate Loan Interests 80.5%

Aerospace & Defense 1.5%

Accudyne Industries LLC, 2017 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.08%, 08/02/24 ^(l)		3,305	3,318,782
DAE Aviation Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 07/07/22 ^(m)		490	492,818

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Engility Corp. ⁽¹⁾ :		
Term Loan B1, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%),		
4.10%, 08/12/20	221	221,722
Term Loan B2, (PRIME + 2.50%),		
4.60%, 08/12/23	394	397,425
GTCR Valor Companies, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B1,		
(3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25%),		
5.58%, 06/16/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,755	1,775,849

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Aerospace & Defense (continued)		
TransDigm, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 Extended Term Loan F, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.33%, 05/14/22	USD 3,563	\$ 3,563,491
2017 Term Loan E, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.33%, 05/14/22	1,682	1,685,765
		11,455,852
Air Freight & Logistics 0.5%		
Avolon TLB Borrower 1 (Luxembourg) Sarl, Term Loan B2, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.53%, 04/03/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,796	1,795,572
CEVA Group PLC, Letter of Credit, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50%), 6.50%, 03/19/21 ^{(a)(1)}	701	652,386
CEVA Intercompany BV, Dutch Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50% 1.00% Floor), 6.88%, 03/19/21 ⁽¹⁾	715	679,235
CEVA Logistics Canada ULC, Canadian Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50% 1.00% Floor), 6.88%, 03/19/21 ⁽¹⁾	123	116,958
CEVA Logistics US Holdings, Inc., Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50% 1.00% Floor), 6.88%, 03/19/21 ⁽¹⁾	942	895,321
		4,139,472
Airlines 0.0%		
Northwest Airlines, Inc., Term Loan, (6 mo. LIBOR + 1.23%), 2.68%, 09/10/18 ^{(a)(1)}	151	148,959
Auto Components 0.8%		
Boing US Holdco Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.88%, 10/03/24 ^{(a)(1)}	1,720	1,732,900
Dayco Products LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.00%), 6.48%, 05/19/23 ^{(a)(1)}	950	957,352
FPC Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00%), 5.33%, 11/19/19 ⁽¹⁾	1,118	1,107,595
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.27%, 04/30/19 ⁽¹⁾	401	402,004
	<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>		
	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Auto Components (continued)		
USI, Inc., 2017 Repriced Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 05/16/24 ⁽¹⁾	USD 1,680	\$ 1,671,600
		5,871,451
Automobiles 0.1%		
CH Hold Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 02/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	891	897,242
Banks 0.1%		
Capri Finance LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25%), 4.63%, 11/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	470	468,534

Building Materials 0.2%

Allied Universal HoldCo LLC, 2015 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.08%, 07/28/22 ⁽¹⁾	689	684,952
USAGM HoldCo LLC, 2015 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 8.50% 1.00% Floor), 9.88%, 07/28/23 ⁽¹⁾	789	784,468
		1,469,420

Building Products 1.1%

Continental Building Products LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.83%, 08/18/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,417	1,420,034
CPG International Inc., 2017 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.08%, 05/03/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,957	1,961,554
Jeld-Wen, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.33%, 07/01/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,646	1,656,406
Ply Gem Industries, Inc., Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.33%, 02/01/21 ⁽¹⁾	1,017	1,023,621
Wilsonart LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.59%, 12/19/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,626	2,644,131
		8,705,746

Capital Markets 0.8%

Duff & Phelps Corp., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.61%, 10/14/24 ⁽¹⁾	980	980,304
FinCo I LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 2.75%, 06/14/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,360	1,374,280
Greenhill & Co., Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.11%, 10/12/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,448	1,453,430

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Capital Markets (continued)		
RPI Finance Trust, Term Loan B6, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.33%, 03/27/23 ⁽¹⁾	USD 2,067	\$ 2,075,928
		5,883,942
Chemicals 2.2%		
Alpha 3 BV, 2017 Term Loan B1, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.33%, 01/31/24 ⁽¹⁾	713	717,371
Axalta Coating Systems US Holdings, Inc., Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.33%, 06/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,147	2,152,945
CeramTec Acquisition Corp., Term Loan B2, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.23%, 08/30/20 ⁽¹⁾	71	71,041
Charter NEX US Holdings, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 05/16/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,352	1,357,100
Chemours Company, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.85%, 05/12/22 ⁽¹⁾	113	113,854
Element Materials Technology Group US Holdings, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.83%, 06/28/24 ⁽¹⁾	660	662,198
Encapsys LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.58%, 11/07/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,000	1,005,630
Evergreen Acqco 1 LP, Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75%), 5.11%, 07/09/19 ⁽¹⁾	197	177,878
H.B. Fuller Co., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.53%, 10/12/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,335	1,339,819
MacDermid, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
Term Loan B6, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 06/07/23	1,820	1,828,830
Term Loan B7, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50% 1.00% Floor), 3.85%, 06/07/20	335	337,274
OXEА Finance & Cy SCA, 2017 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.88%, 10/11/24 ⁽¹⁾	3,392	3,397,665
PQ Corp., 2017 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.63%, 11/04/22 ⁽¹⁾	691	697,461
Solenis International LP, 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 6.75% 1.00% Floor), 8.23%, 07/31/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,915	1,867,125
	<i>Par</i>	
	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Chemicals (continued)		
Tata Chemicals North America, Inc., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.13%, 08/07/20 ⁽¹⁾	USD 526	\$ 525,700
Tronox Blocked Borrower LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.32%, 09/22/24 ⁽¹⁾	74	74,408
Tronox Finance LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.32%, 09/22/24 ⁽¹⁾	170	171,712
		16,498,011
Commercial Services & Supplies 3.6%		
Advanced Disposal Services, Inc., Term Loan B3, (1 Week LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.45%, 11/10/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,970	1,970,840

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Asurion LLC ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 6.00%), 7.35%, 08/04/25	901	923,750
2017 Term Loan B4, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 08/04/22	1,899	1,906,908
2017 Term Loan B5, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 11/03/23	1,722	1,728,021
Camelot UK Holdco Ltd., 2017 Repriced Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 10/03/23 ⁽¹⁾	4,935	4,948,649
Catalent Pharma Solutions, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 Week LIBOR + 2.25% 1.00% Floor), 3.49%, 05/20/21 ⁽¹⁾	2,414	2,424,819
Creative Artists Agency LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan B, (PRIME + 2.50%), 4.75%, 02/15/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,290	1,301,540
Employbridge LLC, Exit Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 6.50% 1.00% Floor), 7.83%, 05/16/20 ⁽¹⁾	513	493,006
Garda World Security Corp., 2017 Term Loan, (PRIME + 2.50%), 5.24%, 05/24/24 ⁽¹⁾	861	863,070
Harland Clarke Holdings Corp., Term Loan B6, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50%, 1.00% Floor) 6.83%, 02/09/22 ⁽¹⁾	825	827,514
KAR Auction Services, Inc., Term Loan B5, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.88%, 03/09/23 ⁽¹⁾	704	708,067
Livingston International, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25%), 5.58%, 04/18/19 ⁽¹⁾	343	330,403
Prime Security Services Borrower LLC, 2016 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 05/02/22 ⁽¹⁾	2,177	2,192,052

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Commercial Services & Supplies (continued)		
US Security Associates Holdings, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.33%, 07/14/23 ⁽¹⁾	USD 2,052	\$ 2,073,679
West Corp., 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.35%, 10/10/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,186	2,181,768
Wrangler Buyer Corp., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 09/27/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,599	2,614,057
		27,488,143
Communications Equipment 1.3%		
Avantor, Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.57%, 09/07/24 ^(m)	2,678	2,678,830
Avaya, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ : DIP Term Loan, (1 Week LIBOR + 7.50% 1.00% Floor), 8.70%, 01/24/18	215	214,884
Exit Term Loan B, 5.59%, 11/08/24 ^(m)	2,225	2,193,606
Term Loan B7, 4.60%, 05/29/20 ^{(b)(g)}	935	712,219
Colorado Buyer, Inc., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.38%, 05/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,192	1,197,675
CommScope, Inc., Term Loan B5, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.38%, 12/29/22 ⁽¹⁾	409	411,080
Riverbed Technology, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 04/24/22 ⁽¹⁾	903	886,364
Securus Technologies Holdings, Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.85%, 11/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,605	1,618,546
		9,913,204
Construction & Engineering 1.0%		
Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, Inc., 2017 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.63%, 06/21/24 ⁽¹⁾	5,655	5,678,928
CNT Holdings III Corp., 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 01/22/23 ⁽¹⁾	583	564,144
Pike Corp., Replacement Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.85%, 09/20/24 ⁽¹⁾	145	146,933
	<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Construction & Engineering (continued)		
USIC Holdings, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (6 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.00%, 12/08/23 ⁽¹⁾	USD 1,041	\$ 1,047,882
		7,437,887
Construction Materials 0.8%		
Core & Main LP, 2017 Term Loan B, (6 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.46%, 08/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	230	231,295
	3,716	3,742,177

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Filtration Group Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.38%, 11/21/20 ⁽¹⁾		
GYP Holdings III Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.38%, 04/01/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,299	2,311,597
		6,285,069
Containers & Packaging 1.1%		
Berlin Packaging LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.50%, 10/01/21 ⁽¹⁾	99	99,277
Berry Plastics Group, Inc., Term Loan M, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.50%, 10/01/22 ⁽¹⁾	3,463	3,474,382
BWAY Holding Co., 2017 Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.25%), 4.52%, 04/03/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,963	2,974,218
Flex Acquisition Co., Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.34%, 12/29/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,144	1,149,971
Plastipak Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.02%, 10/04/24 ⁽¹⁾	865	869,109
		8,566,957
Distributors 0.6%		
American Builders & Contractors Supply Co., Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.85%, 10/31/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,310	2,317,536
American Tire Distributors Holdings, Inc., 2015 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.60%, 09/01/21 ⁽¹⁾	293	294,328
TriMark USA LLC ⁽¹⁾ : 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.82%, 09/26/24	1,790	1,801,182

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<i>Security</i>			
Distributors (continued)			
TriMark USA LLC (continued) ⁽¹⁾ :			
Delayed Draw Term Loan, 4.82%, 09/26/24	USD 83	\$	83,377
			4,496,423
Diversified Consumer Services 2.5%			
Ascend Learning LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 07/12/24 ⁽¹⁾	825		829,125
Bright Horizons Family Solutions, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.60%, 11/07/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,978		2,985,045
Equian LLC, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.04%, 05/20/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,346		2,360,320
J.D. Power and Associates, 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.58%, 09/07/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,975		1,987,356
Serta Simmons Bedding LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.84%, 11/08/23 ⁽¹⁾	3,837		3,702,589
ServiceMaster Co., 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.85%, 11/08/23 ⁽¹⁾	4,843		4,850,956
Spin Holdco Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.15%, 11/14/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,837		1,850,253
Weight Watchers International, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, 4.59%, 11/17/24 ⁽¹⁾	575		565,557
			19,131,201
Diversified Financial Services 0.7%			
AlixPartners LLP, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.08%, 04/04/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,453		1,458,554
Diamond US Holding LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.58%, 04/06/24 ^{(a)(1)}	1,247		1,246,875
Kingpin Intermediate Holdings LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.57%, 06/28/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,536		1,547,671
Nomad Foods Europe Midco Ltd., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.00%, 05/15/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,215		1,218,038
		<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>			
Diversified Financial Services (continued)			
SAM Finance Luxembourg Sarl, Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.57%, 12/17/20 ⁽¹⁾	USD 227	\$	228,432
			5,699,570
Diversified Telecommunication Services 5.8%			
CenturyLink, Inc.:			
2017 Term Loan A, 4.85%, 02/09/22 ^{(1)(m)}	1,500		1,487,340
2017 Term Loan B, (PRIME + 1.75%), 2.75%, 01/31/25 ⁽¹⁾	16,030		15,338,786

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Frontier Communications Corp., 2017 Term Loan B1, (PRIME + 2.75%), 5.09%, 06/15/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,401	1,333,165
Level 3 Financing, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.70%, 02/22/24 ⁽¹⁾		8,075	8,064,906
Lumos Networks Operating Co.:			
1st Lien Term Loan B, 4.08%, 10/16/24 ^(m)		397	398,343
Topco Term Loan, 4.39%, 10/16/24 ⁽¹⁾		373	372,376
Sprint Communications, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.88%, 02/02/24 ⁽¹⁾		3,766	3,765,134
Telenet International Finance Sarl ⁽¹⁾ :			
Term Loan AI, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.00%, 06/30/25		5,485	5,488,072
Term Loan AI, 2.50%, 03/02/26		4,380	4,380,000
Telesat Canada, Term Loan B4, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.32%, 11/17/23 ⁽¹⁾		1,336	1,342,099
Virgin Media Investment Holdings Ltd., GBP Term Loan L, (LIBOR - GBP + 3.25%), 3.75%, 01/31/27 ⁽¹⁾	GBP	1,400	1,892,281
			43,862,502
Electric Utilities 1.5%			
Energy Future Intermediate Holding Co. LLC, 2017 DIP Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 06/30/18 ⁽¹⁾	USD	10,985	11,018,395

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Electric Utilities (continued)			
Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Co. LLC/TCEH Finance, Inc., Term Loan, 11/10/18 ^{(a)(m)}	USD 2,375		11,018,395
Electrical Equipment 0.5%			
Gates Global LLC, 2017 Repriced Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.39%, 04/01/24 ^(l)	3,727	\$	3,745,825
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components 0.1%			
Excelitas Technologies Corp., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, 8.10%, 11/15/24 ^(m)	875		880,469
Energy Equipment & Services 0.5%			
Gavilan Resources LLC, 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 6.00% 1.00% Floor), 7.24%, 03/01/24 ^(l)	1,500		1,473,750
Ocean Rig UDW Inc., Term Loan, (Fixed + 8.00%), 8.00%, 09/20/24 ^(l)	180		181,987
Pioneer Energy Services Corp., Term Loan, (1 Week LIBOR + 7.75% 1.00% Floor), 8.99%, 11/02/22 ^(l)	770		770,963
Sadrill Partners Finco LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.33%, 02/21/21 ^(l)	900		691,861
Weatherford International Ltd., Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.30%), 3.65%, 07/13/20 ^(l)	736		715,560
			3,834,121
Food & Staples Retailing 1.6%			
BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.99%, 02/03/24 ^(l)	2,153		2,117,422
Hostess Brands LLC, 2017 Repriced Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 08/03/22 ^(l)	2,803		2,806,333
Rite Aid Corp. ^(l) :			
2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 Week LIBOR + 4.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.96%, 08/21/20	695		697,029
2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 Week LIBOR + 3.87% 1.00% Floor), 5.09%, 06/21/21	1,475		1,476,844
	<i>Par</i>		
<i>Security</i>	<i>(000)</i>		<i>Value</i>
Food & Staples Retailing (continued)			
US Foods, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 4.10%, 06/27/23 ^(l)	USD 4,765	\$	4,788,511
			11,886,139
Food Products 1.8%			
Albertsons LLC, 2017 Term Loan B4, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 08/25/21 ^(l)	2,220		2,154,709
	1,430		1,444,384

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Chobani LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.74%, 10/09/23 ⁽¹⁾		
Dole Food Company Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 3.99%, 04/06/24 ⁽¹⁾	775	777,598
JBS USA LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.76%, 10/30/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,960	1,918,007
Pinnacle Foods Finance LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.24%, 02/02/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,551	2,564,269
Reddy Ice Corp. ⁽¹⁾ :		
1st Lien Term Loan, (PRIME + 4.50%), 6.88%, 05/01/19	1,782	1,752,438
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 9.50%), 10.85%, 11/01/19	724	680,560
Reynolds Group Holdings, Inc., 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 02/05/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,189	2,198,813
		13,490,778
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 2.2%		
Cotiviti Corp., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.84%, 09/28/23 ^{(a)(1)}	2,283	2,294,256
CryoLife, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.85%, 11/14/24 ^{(a)(m)}	1,745	1,753,725
DJO Finance LLC, 2015 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 06/08/20 ⁽¹⁾	4,966	4,915,953
Immucor, Inc., Extended Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 5.00% 1.00% Floor), 6.31%, 06/15/21 ⁽¹⁾	3,393	3,441,522
Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics SA, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.08%, 06/30/21 ⁽¹⁾	3,042	3,048,145

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<i>Security</i>			
Health Care Equipment & Supplies (continued)			
YI LLC ^{(a)(1)} :			
2017 1st Lien Delayed Draw Term Loan, 4.85%, 11/07/24	USD 240	\$	239,400
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.85%, 11/07/24 ^(m)	955		952,612
			16,645,613
Health Care Providers & Services 3.9%			
Air Medical Group Holdings, Inc.:			
2017 Term Loan B2, 09/07/24 ^(m)	1,680		1,687,980
Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.49%, 04/28/22 ⁽¹⁾	619		616,995
CHG Healthcare Services, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.63%, 06/07/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,143		2,149,745
Community Health Systems, Inc., Term Loan G, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.23%, 12/31/19 ⁽¹⁾	927		901,191
Curo Health Services Holdings, Inc., 2015 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.35%, 02/07/22 ⁽¹⁾	880		878,748
DaVita HealthCare Partners, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 06/24/21 ⁽¹⁾	6,782		6,845,792
DuPage Medical Group, Ltd. ⁽¹⁾ :			
1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.36%, 08/15/24 ^(a)	1,570		1,571,962
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.00%), 8.42%, 08/15/25	540		540,675
Envision Healthcare Corp., 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 12/01/23 ⁽¹⁾	5,499		5,509,647
MPH Acquisition Holdings LLC, 2016 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.33%, 06/07/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,160		2,160,417
National Mentor Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.33%, 01/31/21 ⁽¹⁾	665		668,520
nThrive, Inc., 2016 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.85%, 10/20/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,317		1,323,250
NVA Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B2, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.83%, 08/14/21 ⁽¹⁾	1,132		1,139,216
Team Health Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 02/06/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,257		1,228,238
Vizient, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.85%, 02/13/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,303		1,306,530
	<i>Par</i>		
<i>Security</i>			
	<i>(000)</i>		<i>Value</i>

Health Care Providers & Services (continued)

WP CityMD Bidco LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.33%, 06/07/24 ⁽¹⁾	USD	870	\$	873,811
				29,402,717

Health Care Technology 0.8%

Change Healthcare Holdings, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 03/01/24 ⁽¹⁾		2,593		2,599,110
Press Ganey Holdings, Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 10/23/23 ⁽¹⁾		1,388		1,396,642
Quintiles IMS, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.33%, 03/07/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,825		1,833,042
				5,828,794

Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 4.8%

Amaya Holdings BV ⁽¹⁾ :				
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.00% 1.00% Floor), 8.33%, 08/01/22		995		995,125
Repriced Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.83%, 08/01/21		3,295		3,310,630
Boyd Gaming Corp., Term Loan B3, (1 Week LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.70%, 09/15/23 ⁽¹⁾		1,114		1,118,793
Bronco Midstream Funding LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.44%, 08/15/20 ⁽¹⁾		1,479		1,488,455
Burger King Newco Unlimited Liability Co., Term Loan B3, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25% 1.00% Floor), 3.58%, 02/16/24 ⁽¹⁾		4,136		4,133,494
Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties LLC, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.85%, 10/11/20 ⁽¹⁾		10,049		10,042,720
Caesars Growth Properties Holdings LLC, 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 05/08/21 ⁽¹⁾		1,802		1,801,799
Caesars Resort Collection LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan B, ^(m)		2,346		2,357,928
CCM Merger, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 08/08/21 ⁽¹⁾		839		842,042
CEC Entertainment, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 02/14/21 ⁽¹⁾		703		676,148

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Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure (continued)		
Cyan Blue Holdco 3 Ltd., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.83%, 07/26/24 ⁽¹⁾	USD 1,385	\$ 1,392,034
ESH Hospitality, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 08/30/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,851	1,853,908
Four Seasons Hotels Ltd., 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.85%, 11/30/23 ⁽¹⁾	213	214,365
Hilton Worldwide Finance LLC, Term Loan B2, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.33%, 10/25/23 ⁽¹⁾	853	856,778
La Quinta Intermediate Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.11%, 04/14/21 ⁽¹⁾	450	451,952
Playa Resorts Holding BV, 2017 Term Loan B, 04/05/24 ^(m)	1,115	1,118,903
Scientific Games International, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B4, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25%), 4.60%, 08/14/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,523	1,535,806
Station Casinos LLC, 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.82%, 06/08/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,137	1,138,481
Yum! Brands, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.28%, 06/16/23 ⁽¹⁾	901	907,229
		36,236,590
Household Durables 0.2%		
Serta Simmons Bedding LLC, 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 8.00% 1.00% Floor), 9.24%, 11/08/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,712	1,553,483
Household Products 0.3%		
Diamond (BC) B.V., Term Loan, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.42%, 09/06/24 ^{(1)(m)}	400	400,232
Spectrum Brands, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.40%, 06/23/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,754	1,762,779
		2,163,011
Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Producers 1.6%		
AES Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.45%, 05/24/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,468	1,472,219
Calpine Construction Finance Co., LP, Original Term Loan B1, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 05/03/20 ⁽¹⁾	787	785,686
Calpine Corp. ⁽¹⁾ : Term Loan B5, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.09%, 01/15/24	461	461,571

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	<i>(000)</i>	
Insurance (continued)		
Calpine Corp. (continued) ^(l) :		
Term Loan B6, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.09%, 01/15/23	USD 1,159	\$ 1,160,382
Dynegy, Inc., 2017 Term Loan C, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 02/07/24 ^(l)	2,304	2,316,589
Granite Acquisition, Inc. ^(l) :		
Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.34%, 12/19/21	1,662	1,678,423
Term Loan C, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.33%, 12/19/21	75	75,876
Nautilus Power LLC, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.60%, 05/16/24 ^(l)	2,534	2,551,385
Terra-Gen Finance Co. LLC, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.60%, 12/09/21 ^{(a)(l)}	1,530	1,376,893
		11,879,024
Industrial Conglomerates 0.6%		
Cortes NP Acquisition Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (PRIME + 3.00%), 5.35%, 11/30/23 ^(l)	3,181	3,193,838
Sequa Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, (2 mo. LIBOR + 5.50% 1.00% Floor), 6.87%, 11/28/21 ^(l)	1,466	1,475,490
		4,669,328
Insurance 1.5%		
Alliant Holdings I, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.58%, 08/12/22 ^(l)	2,299	2,307,995
AmWINS Group, Inc. ^(l) :		
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 6.75% 1.00% Floor), 8.10%, 01/25/25	1,122	1,137,147
2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 01/25/24	913	915,383
AssuredPartners, Inc., 2017 1st Lien Add-On Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.85%, 10/22/24 ^(l)	1,349	1,357,967
Davis Vision Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, 11/01/24 ^(m)	690	693,450
Hub International Ltd., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.41%, 10/02/20 ^(l)	1,064	1,067,523

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Insurance (continued)			
Sedgwick Claims Management Services, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 03/01/21	USD 1,612	\$	1,616,594
2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 5.75% 1.00% Floor), 7.10%, 02/28/22	1,650		1,664,438
Stratose Intermediate Holdings II LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 06/22/23 ⁽¹⁾	718		722,243
			11,482,740
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail 0.2%			
Harbor Freight Tools USA, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25%), 4.60%, 08/18/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,499		1,507,302
Internet Software & Services 1.1%			
Go Daddy Operating Co. LLC, 2017 Repriced Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 02/15/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,624		2,630,850
Intralinks, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 11/11/24 ^(m)	1,060		1,054,700
Rackspace Hosting, Inc., 2017 Incremental 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.38%, 11/03/23 ⁽¹⁾	3,124		3,118,770
TierPoint LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.10%, 05/06/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,464		1,458,957
			8,263,277
IT Services 4.4%			
First Data Corp., 2024 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.56%, 04/26/24 ⁽¹⁾	11,176		11,173,814
NeuStar, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
Term Loan B1, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25%), 4.65%, 01/08/20	166		167,437
Term Loan B2, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.15%, 08/08/24	549		553,720
Optiv Security, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.63%, 02/01/24	3,340		3,180,763
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.25% 1.00% Floor), 8.63%, 02/01/25	1,000		925,000
	<i>Par</i>		
	<i>(000)</i>		<i>Value</i>
<i>Security</i>			
IT Services (continued)			
Peak 10, Inc. (1):			
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.82%, 08/01/24	USD 440	\$	440,686
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.25% 1.00% Floor), 8.63%, 08/01/25	1,556		1,572,851
Sabre Global Inc., Incremental Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25% 1.00% Floor), 3.60%, 02/22/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,223		1,227,974
TKC Holdings, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (2 mo. LIBOR + 8.00% 1.00% Floor), 9.42%, 02/01/24	1,345		1,355,087

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2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.67%, 02/01/23	1,856	1,875,401
Trans Union LLC, Term Loan B3, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.35%, 04/10/23 ⁽¹⁾	5,520	5,539,013
Vantiv LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.25%, 10/14/23 ⁽¹⁾	792	795,619
VF Holding Corp., Reprice Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 06/30/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,188	2,199,768
WEX, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B2, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 06/30/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,444	2,458,947
		33,466,080
Leisure Products 0.1%		
MND Holdings III Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.83%, 06/19/24 ^{(a)(1)}	808	812,015
Life Sciences Tools & Services 0.5%		
Albany Molecular Research, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.58%, 08/30/24	1,240	1,243,621
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.00% 1.00% Floor), 8.33%, 08/30/25	920	931,500
Parexel International Corp., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 09/27/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,672	1,681,062
		3,856,183
Machinery 1.1%		
Clark Equipment Co., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.83%, 05/18/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,031	1,035,511

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Machinery (continued)			
Faenza Acquisition GmbH ⁽¹⁾ :			
Term Loan B1, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.23%, 08/30/20	USD	554	\$ 553,331
Term Loan B3, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.23%, 08/30/20		170	169,442
Gardner Denver, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.08%, 07/30/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,393	1,397,113
Hayward Industries, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.85%, 08/05/24 ⁽¹⁾		905	907,720
Mueller Water Products, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.85%, 11/25/21 ⁽¹⁾		554	558,569
Rexnord LLC, 2016 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.11%, 08/21/23 ⁽¹⁾		1,313	1,314,240
Signode Industrial Group US, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 05/04/21 ⁽¹⁾		798	801,586
Tecomet Inc., 2017 Repriced Term Loan, (PRIME + 2.50%), 5.13%, 05/01/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,378	1,388,108
			8,125,620
Media 6.4%			
Altice Financing SA:			
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.58%, 01/05/26 ^{(a)(m)}		2,073	2,010,325
2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.11%, 07/15/25 ⁽¹⁾		574	560,584
Altice US Finance I Corp., 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 07/28/25 ⁽¹⁾		4,774	4,736,437
CBS Radio Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.17%, 11/17/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,139	1,146,413
Charter Communications Operating LLC, 2016 Term Loan I Add, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 01/15/24 ⁽¹⁾		4,541	4,560,149
CSC Holdings LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.51%, 07/17/25 ⁽¹⁾		3,766	3,742,280
DHX Media Ltd., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.10%, 12/29/23 ⁽¹⁾		863	863,381
Getty Images, Inc., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.83%, 10/18/19 ⁽¹⁾		337	292,869
		<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Media (continued)			
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Co., 2015 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 05/31/21 ⁽¹⁾	USD	792	\$ 734,908
Intelsat Jackson Holdings SA, Term Loan B2, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.07%, 06/30/19 ⁽¹⁾		6,114	6,093,788
Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., Term Loan B3, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.63%, 10/31/23 ⁽¹⁾		600	603,954
		302	302,865

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Mission Broadcasting, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B2, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.74%, 01/17/24 ⁽¹⁾		
Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B2, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.74%, 01/17/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,393	2,399,107
Numericable Group SA, Term Loan B12, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 01/31/26 ⁽¹⁾	2,305	2,247,375
Radiate Holdco LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 02/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	940	932,640
SBA Senior Finance II LLC, Term Loan B1, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 03/24/21 ⁽¹⁾	1,911	1,915,322
Trader Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (OR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.41%, 09/28/23 ⁽¹⁾	985	985,672
Tribune Media Co., Term Loan C, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 01/27/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,416	2,419,226
Unitymedia Finance LLC, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.50%, 09/30/25 ⁽¹⁾	2,800	2,798,824
Univision Communications, Inc., Term Loan C5, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 03/15/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,891	1,876,311
Virgin Media Bristol LLC, 2017 Term Loan, 01/31/26 ^(m)	5,346	5,342,685

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<i>Security</i>	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Media (continued)		
Ziggo Secured Finance Partnership, Term Loan E, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.75%, 04/15/25 ⁽¹⁾	USD 1,722	\$ 1,711,289
		48,276,404
Metals & Mining 0.1%		
WireCo WorldGroup, Inc., 2016 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50% 1.00% Floor), 6.82%, 09/30/23 ⁽¹⁾	510	510,273
Multiline Retail 0.3%		
Eyemart Express LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.25%, 08/04/24 ⁽¹⁾	935	936,169
Hudson's Bay Co., 2015 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.72%, 09/30/22 ⁽¹⁾	883	867,416
Neiman Marcus Group, Inc., 2020 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.49%, 10/25/20 ⁽¹⁾	500	407,429
		2,211,014
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 3.0%		
BCP Raptor LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.73%, 06/24/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,745	1,757,635
BCP Renaissance Parent LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.38%, 10/31/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,013	2,031,238
California Resources Corp.:		
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.99%, 11/08/22 ^(m)	1,545	1,518,750
Second Out Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 10.37%), 11.66%, 12/31/21 ⁽¹⁾	3,145	3,396,600
Chesapeake Energy Corp., Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.50% 1.00% Floor), 8.95%, 08/23/21 ⁽¹⁾	2,457	2,613,249
CITGO Holding, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 8.50% 1.00% Floor), 9.84%, 05/12/18 ⁽¹⁾	777	778,369
CONSOL Energy, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, 10/26/22 ^(m)	780	781,943
EWT Holdings III Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.08%, 01/15/21 ⁽¹⁾	115	116,097
Medallion Midland Acquisition LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.56%, 10/30/24 ^{(a)(1)}	1,230	1,231,537
	<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (continued)		
MEG Energy Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.83%, 12/31/23 ⁽¹⁾	USD 3,398	\$ 3,395,373

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Moxie Patriot LLC, Term Loan B1, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.75%), 7.08%, 12/19/20 ^{(a)(1)}	497	479,486
PowerTeam Services LLC, 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.25% 1.00% Floor), 8.58%, 11/06/20 ⁽¹⁾	200	199,250
Ultra Resources, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.41%, 04/12/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,123	1,120,193
Veresen Midstream LP, Reprice Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 03/31/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,861	1,872,697
Vine Oil & Gas LP, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 6.87% 1.00% Floor), 8.22%, 12/12/21 ^{(a)(1)}	1,148	1,130,780
		22,423,197
Personal Products 0.9%		
Clover Merger Sub, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.83%, 09/26/24	3,650	3,485,750
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.75% 1.00% Floor), 9.08%, 09/26/25	1,656	1,490,400
Prestige Brands, Inc., Term Loan B4, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.10%, 01/26/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,803	1,811,704
Revlon Consumer Products Corp., 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.85%, 09/07/23 ⁽¹⁾	345	260,175
		7,048,029
Pharmaceuticals 2.0%		
Akorn, Inc., Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.25%), 5.63%, 04/16/21 ^{(a)(1)}	1,349	1,352,784
Grifols Worldwide Operations USA, Inc., 2017 Acquisition Term Loan, (1 Week LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.45%, 01/31/25 ⁽¹⁾	5,955	5,969,963
Jaguar Holding Co. II, 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 08/18/22 ⁽¹⁾	4,090	4,096,069

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	<i>(000)</i>	
Pharmaceuticals (continued)		
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, Inc., Series F1 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.75%, 04/01/22 ⁽¹⁾	USD 3,371	\$ 3,415,292
		14,834,108
Professional Services 0.9%		
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc., 2014 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.63%, 07/23/21 ⁽¹⁾	515	499,666
Cast and Crew Payroll LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.33%, 09/26/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,256	2,269,662
Information Resources, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, (OR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.62%, 01/18/24 ⁽¹⁾	771	775,621
SIRVA Worldwide, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 6.50% 1.00% Floor), 7.84%, 11/14/22 ^{(a)(1)}	1,116	1,122,145
Sterling Infosystems, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.84%, 06/20/22 ^{(a)(1)}	2,231	2,236,791
		6,903,885
Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) 0.5%		
Capital Automotive LP, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50% 1.00% Floor), 3.85%, 03/24/24 ⁽¹⁾	575	576,083
MGM Growth Properties Operating Partnership LP, 2016 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 04/25/23 ⁽¹⁾	3,163	3,175,218
		3,751,301
Real Estate Management & Development 0.8%		
CityCenter Holdings LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.85%, 04/18/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,403	1,408,259
DTZ US Borrower LLC, 2015 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.63%, 11/04/21 ⁽¹⁾	2,048	2,012,025
	<i>Par</i>	
<i>Security</i>		
	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Real Estate Management & Development (continued)		
Realogy Corp., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 07/20/22 ⁽¹⁾	USD 2,606	\$ 2,616,127
		6,036,411
Road & Rail 0.2%		
PODS LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, 11/21/24 ^(m)	1,355	1,359,241
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 0.3%		
Cavium, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 08/16/22 ^{(a)(1)}	523	523,474

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Microsemi Corp., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan B, (2 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.38%, 01/13/23 ⁽¹⁾	369	370,118
ON Semiconductor Corp., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.60%, 03/31/23 ⁽¹⁾	326	326,819
Versum Materials, Inc., Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.33%, 09/29/23 ⁽¹⁾	708	710,950
		1,931,361
Software 7.6%		
Almonde, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.98%, 06/13/24	1,142	1,140,630
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.25% 1.00% Floor), 8.73%, 06/13/25	226	225,887
Applied Systems, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.57%, 09/19/24	1,939	1,957,559
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.00% 1.00% Floor), 8.32%, 09/19/25	470	483,296
Aptean, Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.59%, 12/20/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,109	1,116,825
BMC Software Finance, Inc., 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.10%, 09/10/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,134	1,134,592
Cypress Intermediate Holdings, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.35%, 04/27/24	1,222	1,223,465

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Software (continued)			
Cypress Intermediate Holdings, Inc. (continued) ⁽¹⁾ :			
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 6.75% 1.00% Floor), 8.10%, 04/27/25	USD	740	\$ 757,575
Dell Inc., 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.00%), 3.35%, 09/07/23 ⁽¹⁾		3,005	3,005,899
Digicel International Finance Ltd., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.75%), 5.08%, 05/28/24 ⁽¹⁾		2,050	2,050,513
DTI Holdco, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.25% 1.00% Floor), 6.63%, 09/30/23 ⁽¹⁾		1,115	1,109,024
Hyland Software, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25%), 4.60%, 07/01/22		1,271	1,281,802
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 7.00%), 8.35%, 07/07/25		580	591,600
Infor (US), Inc., Term Loan B6, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.08%, 02/01/22 ⁽¹⁾		2,860	2,855,349
Informatica Corp., Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.83%, 08/05/22 ⁽¹⁾		3,666	3,672,880
IQOR US, Inc., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.00% 1.00% Floor), 6.34%, 04/01/21 ⁽¹⁾		1,511	1,503,641
Kronos, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.84%, 11/01/23		2,595	2,607,178
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 8.25% 1.00% Floor), 9.63%, 11/01/24		1,175	1,210,003
LANDesk Group, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.25% 1.00% Floor), 5.60%, 01/20/24 ⁽¹⁾		333	322,416
MA FinanceCo., LLC, Term Loan B3, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.06%, 06/21/24 ⁽¹⁾		279	279,376
McAfee LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.83%, 09/30/24 ⁽¹⁾		805	808,397
Mitchell International, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :			
1st Lien Term Loan, (2 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.81%, 10/13/20		2,152	2,152,605
		<i>Par</i>	
		<i>(000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Software (continued)			
Mitchell International, Inc.(continued):			
2017 1st Lien Term Loan, 11/20/24 ^(m)	USD	3,725	\$ 3,724,831
2017 2nd Lien Term Loan, 11/20/25 ^(m)		1,180	1,188,354
2017 Delayed Draw Term Loan, 11/20/24 ^(m)		300	300,469
2nd Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 7.50% 1.00% Floor), 8.88%, 10/11/21 ⁽¹⁾		1,250	1,250,000
Project Alpha Intermediate Holding, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.04%, 04/26/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,786	1,746,181
Project Leopard Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.50% 1.00% Floor), 6.83%, 07/07/23 ⁽¹⁾		860	865,375
Seattle Spinco, Inc., Term Loan B3, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.06%, 06/21/24 ⁽¹⁾		1,884	1,886,694
SolarWinds Holdings, Inc., 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.85%, 02/05/23 ⁽¹⁾		2,469	2,477,756

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Solera LLC, Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.60%, 03/03/23 ⁽¹⁾	2,312	2,322,628
Sophia LP, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.25% 1.00% Floor), 4.58%, 09/30/22 ⁽¹⁾	1,761	1,759,859
SS&C Technologies, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ :		
2017 Term Loan B1, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 07/08/22	2,208	2,221,175
2017 Term Loan B2, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.60%, 07/08/22	96	96,388
Tempo Acquisition LLC, Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.35%, 05/01/24 ⁽¹⁾	2,808	2,801,813
Tibco Software Inc., Repriced Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.85%, 12/04/20 ⁽¹⁾	2,217	2,221,289
Veritas Bermuda Ltd., Repriced Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.50% 1.00% Floor), 5.83%, 01/27/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,593	1,592,052
		57,945,376
Specialty Retail 1.0%		
Academy Ltd., 2015 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.32%, 07/01/22 ⁽¹⁾	797	638,977
Belron SA, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.89%, 11/07/24 ⁽¹⁾	275	276,804

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<i>Security</i>		
Specialty Retail (continued)		
Leslie's Poolmart, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75% 1.00% Floor), 5.06%, 08/16/23 ⁽¹⁾	USD 827	\$ 823,203
Michaels Stores, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B1, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75% 1.00% Floor), 4.10%, 01/30/23 ⁽¹⁾	1,236	1,224,137
National Vision, Inc., 2017 Repriced Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 3.94%, 11/12/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,737	1,735,505
Party City Holdings, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00%), 4.34%, 08/19/22 ⁽¹⁾	610	610,264
Petco Animal Supplies, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.00% 1.00% Floor), 4.38%, 01/26/23 ⁽¹⁾	892	701,669
Staples, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.31%, 09/12/24 ⁽¹⁾	1,152	1,102,222
Things Remembered, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, (PIK + 11.00%), 1.00%, 02/29/20 ^{(a)(1)(f)}	1,378	
TruGreen LP, 2017 Term Loan, (1 mo. LIBOR + 4.00% 1.00% Floor), 5.25%, 04/13/23 ⁽¹⁾	200	202,750
		7,315,531
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods 0.3%		
Ascend Performance Materials Operations LLC, Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 5.25% 1.00% Floor), 6.58%, 08/12/22 ^{(a)(1)}	2,475	2,490,658
Thrifts & Mortgage Finance 0.2%		
IG Investment Holdings LLC, 2017 1st Lien Term Loan, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.50% 1.00% Floor), 4.89%, 10/29/21 ⁽¹⁾	1,475	1,484,142
Trading Companies & Distributors 0.8%		
Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc.: 2017 Term Loan B, 08/23/24 ^(m)	2,144	2,148,031
Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 2.75%), 4.06%, 10/01/22 ⁽¹⁾	578	579,165
HD Supply, Inc. ⁽¹⁾ : Term Loan B3, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.58%, 08/13/21	1,243	1,249,123
Term Loan B4, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.50%), 3.83%, 10/17/23	1,901	1,913,315

	<i>Par/ Beneficial Interest</i>	<i>Value</i>
<i>Security</i>	<i>(000)</i>	
Trading Companies & Distributors (continued)		
Nexeo Solutions LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 3.75%), 5.08%, 06/09/23 ^(l)	USD 242 \$	243,156
		6,132,790
Utilities 0.1%		
ExGen Renewables IV LLC, Term Loan B, 11/07/24 ^{(a)(m)}	1,010	1,017,575
Wireless Telecommunication Services 1.1%		
GEO Group, Inc., 2017 Term Loan B, (3 mo. LIBOR + 2.25%), 3.57%, 03/22/24 ^(l)	1,498	1,499,347
Ligado Networks LLC, PIK Exit Term Loan (9.75% PIK), 5.24%, 12/07/20 ^{(b)(f)(g)}	6,834	6,480,950
VICI Properties 1 LLC, 2017 Term Loan B, (1 mo. LIBOR + 3.50%), 4.75%, 10/14/22 ^(l)	647	646,920
		8,627,217
Total Floating Rate Loan Interests 80.5% (Cost \$610,857,353)		609,465,602
Other Interests 0.0%		
IT Services 0.0%		
Millennium Lender Claims ^(a)	2,240	
Preferred Securities		
Capital Trusts		
ATF Netherlands BV, 3.75% ^{(h)(j)}	100	124,572
Banco Santander SA, 6.25% ^{(h)(j)}	100	124,232
Bank of America Corp., Series X, 6.25% ^{(h)(j)}	1,100	1,218,250
Citigroup, Inc., Series N, 5.80% ^{(h)(j)}	1,100	1,141,030
Cooperatieve Rabobank UA, 6.63% ^{(h)(j)}	200	276,011
Credit Agricole SA, 6.50% ^{(h)(j)}	100	135,093
Danone SA, 1.75% ^{(h)(j)}	100	118,918
Enel SpA ^(h) :		
6.50% 01/10/74	100	126,721
7.75% 09/10/75	100	154,513
Erste Group Bank AG, 6.50% ^{(h)(j)}	200	277,901
Gas Natural Fenosa Finance BV, 3.38% ^{(h)(j)}	100	124,968
Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., Series P, 5.00% ^{(h)(j)}	1,910	1,895,675
HBOS Capital Funding LP, 6.85% ^(j)	200	204,278

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Capital Trusts (continued)			
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. Ltd., Series 3H, 1.63% ^{(h)(j)}	USD	100	\$ 88,384
HSBC Holdings PLC, 6.00% ^{(h)(j)}		600	630,300
HSH Nordbank AG, 7.25% ⁽ⁱ⁾		29	15,182
HT1 Funding GmbH, 1.84% ^{(h)(j)}		30	34,854
Intesa Sanpaolo SpA, 7.00% ^{(h)(j)}		400	528,859
JPMorgan Chase & Co., Series V, 5.00% ^{(h)(j)}		780	800,475
Lanxess AG, 4.50% 12/06/76 ^(h)		50	66,160
National Westminster Bank PLC, Series C, 1.75% ^{(e)(j)}		100	88,217
Orange SA, 5.75% ^{(h)(j)}		100	150,617
Origin Energy Finance Ltd., 4.00% 09/16/74 ^(h)		100	124,269
Repsol International Finance BV, 4.50% 03/25/75 ^(h)		100	132,187
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, 8.63% ^{(h)(j)}		246	277,365
SoftBank Group Corp. ^{(h)(j)}		750,000	744,195
Solvay Finance SA, 5.12% ^{(h)(j)}		100	133,546
Telefonica Europe BV ^{(h)(j)} : 3.75%		100	125,423
4.20%		200	251,405
5.00%		100	128,243
TOTAL SA, 3.88% ^{(h)(j)}		100	132,266
UBS Group AG, 5.75% ^{(h)(j)}		200	271,767
Total Capital Trusts 1.4%			10,645,876
Preferred Stock			
Capital Markets 0.0%			
Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., Series J, 5.50% ^(h)		13,550	367,747
Trust Preferred			
Diversified Financial Services 0.2%			
GMAC Capital Trust I, Series 2, 7.10%, 02/15/40 ^(e)		1,480	1,542,310
			12,555,933

Total Preferred Securities 1.6%
(Cost \$11,892,733.61)

<i>Security</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Value</i>
Rights 0.0%		
Electric Utilities 0.0%		
Tex Energy LLC ^(a)	39,599 \$	37,223
Total Rights 0.0% (Cost \$0)		37,223
Warrants 0.0%		
Metals & Mining 0.0%		
AFGlobal Corp. (Expires 12/20/20) ^(a)	5,283	
Software 0.0%		
HMH Holdings/EduMedia (Issued/exercisable 03/09/10, 19 Shares for 1 Warrant, Expires 06/22/19, Strike Price \$42.27) ^(a)	3,049	78
Transportation Infrastructure 0.0%		
Turbo Cayman Ltd. (Expires 03/15/18, Strike Price \$0.01) ^(a)	1	
Total Warrants 0.0% (Cost \$31)		78
Total Long-Term Investments 147.9% (Cost \$1,133,705,978)		1,119,620,356
Short-Term Securities 1.0%		
BlackRock Liquidity Funds, T-Fund, Institutional Class, 0.96% ^{(o)(p)}	7,942,605 \$	7,942,605
Total Short-Term Securities 1.0% (Cost \$7,942,605)		7,942,605
Options Purchased 0.0% (Cost \$8,218)		313
Total Investments 148.9% (Cost \$1,141,078,801)		1,127,563,274
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets (48.9)%		(370,379,583)
Net Assets 100.0%		\$ 757,183,691

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- (a) Security is valued using significant unobservable inputs and is classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.
- (b) Non-income producing security.
- (c) Floating rate security. Rate shown is the rate in effect as of period end.
- (d) Security exempt from registration pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration to qualified institutional investors.
- (e) Variable or floating rate security, which interest rate adjusts periodically based on changes in current interest rates and prepayments on the underlying pool of assets. Rate shown is the rate in effect as of period end.
- (f) Payment-in-kind security which may pay interest/dividends in additional par/shares and/or in cash. Rates shown are the current rate and possible payment rates.

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- (g) Issuer filed for bankruptcy and/or is in default.
- (h) Variable rate security. Security may be issued at a fixed coupon rate, which converts to a variable rate at a specified date. Rate shown is the rate in effect as of period end.
- (i) When-issued security.
- (j) Perpetual security with no stated maturity date.
- (k) Step-up bond that pays an initial coupon rate for the first period and then a higher coupon rate for the following periods. Rate as of period end.
- (l) Variable rate security. Rate shown is the rate in effect as of period end.
- (m) Represents an unsettled loan commitment at period end. Certain details associated with this purchase are not known prior to the settlement date, including coupon rate.
- (n) Other interests represent beneficial interests in liquidation trusts and other reorganization or private entities.
- (o) Annualized 7-day yield as of period end.
- (p) During the period ended November 30, 2017, investments in issuers considered to be affiliates and/or related related parties of the Fund for purposes of Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and/or related parties of the Fund were as follows:

	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Value at</i>	<i>Gain (Loss)</i>	<i>Net</i>	<i>Change in</i>
<i>Unaffiliated and/or related parties</i>	<i>Held at</i>	<i>Purchased</i>	<i>Sold</i>	<i>Held at</i>	<i>11/30/17</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Realized</i>	<i>Unrealized</i>
	<i>02/28/17</i>			<i>11/30/17</i>	<i>11/30/17</i>	<i>Depreciation</i>	<i>Appreciation</i>	<i>Depreciation</i>
BlackRock Liquidity Funds, Fund, Institutional Class		7,942,605 ^(b)		7,942,605	\$ 7,942,605	\$ 11,160	\$	\$
Shares iBoxx USD High Yield Corporate Bond ETF	157,001		(157,001)			257,172	508,287	(475,323)
					\$ 7,942,605	\$ 268,332	\$ 508,287	\$ (475,323)

(a) Includes net capital gain distributions, if applicable.

(b) Represents net shares purchased.

For Fund compliance purposes, the Fund's industry classifications refer to one or more of the industry sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or rating group indexes, and/or as defined by the investment adviser. These definitions may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine such industry sub-classifications for reporting ease.

Portfolio Abbreviations

CDO	Collateralized Debt Obligation
CLO	Collateralized Loan Obligation
DIP	Debtor-In-Possession

ETF	Exchange-Traded Fund
EUR	Euro
EURIBOR	Euro Interbank Offered Rate
GBP	British Pound
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate
PIK	Payment-In-Kind
USD	U.S. Dollar

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Derivative Financial Instruments Outstanding as of Period End**Futures Contracts**

<i>Description</i>	<i>Number of Contracts</i>	<i>Expiration Date</i>	<i>Notional Amount (000)</i>	<i>Value/ Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)</i>
Short Contracts				
Euro Bund	(5)	12/07/17	\$ 968	\$ (4,706)
10-Year U.S. Treasury Note	(2)	03/20/18	248	1,669
Long Gilt Future	(1)	03/27/18	167	878
				\$ (2,159)

Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts

<i>Currency Purchased</i>	<i>Currency Sold</i>	<i>Counterparty</i>	<i>Settlement Date</i>	<i>Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)</i>
EUR 380,000	USD 445,645	UBS AG National Australia Bank Ltd.	12/05/17	\$ 6,673
GBP 1,400,000	USD 1,862,756	National Australia Bank Ltd.	12/05/17	30,650
USD 140,824	EUR 118,000	HSBC Bank PLC	12/05/17	367
USD 13,746,016	EUR 11,521,000		01/04/18	2,045
				39,735
USD 84,982	EUR 72,000	Australia And New Zealand Bank Group	12/05/17	(720)
USD 7,084	EUR 6,000		12/05/17	(58)

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				Goldman Sachs International		
USD	116,803	EUR	100,000	Goldman Sachs International	12/05/17	(2,228)
USD	13,528,497	EUR	11,608,000	UBS AG Australia and New Zealand Bank Group	12/05/17	(288,615)
USD	154,720	GBP	116,000	Bank of America N.A. Commonwealth Bank of Australia	12/05/17	(2,162)
USD	1,806,932	GBP	1,362,950	Bank of America N.A. Commonwealth Bank of Australia	12/05/17	(36,367)
USD	130,891	GBP	99,000	Goldman Sachs International	12/05/17	(2,999)
USD	1,863,869	GBP	1,399,000	State Street Bank and Trust Co.	12/05/17	(28,185)
USD	1,725,472	GBP	1,302,000	Goldman Sachs International	12/05/17	(35,396)
USD	11,921	EUR	10,000	Goldman Sachs International	01/04/18	(8)
USD	100,139	EUR	84,000	Goldman Sachs International	01/04/18	(69)
USD	1,894,117	GBP	1,399,000	HSBC Bank PLC	01/04/18	(465)
USD	1,997,382	GBP	1,479,000	Royal Bank of Scotland PLC	01/04/18	(5,539)
						(402,811)
						\$ (363,076)
						Net Unrealized Depreciation

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Exchange-Traded Options Purchased

<i>Description</i>	<i>Number of Contracts</i>	<i>Expiration Date</i>		<i>Exercise Price</i>	<i>Notional Amount (000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Call U.S. 10 Year Note	5	12/22/17	USD	125.50	\$ 625	\$ 313

OTC Options Purchased

<i>Description</i>	<i>Counterparty</i>	<i>Number of Contracts</i>	<i>Expiration Date</i>		<i>Exercise Price</i>	<i>Notional Amount (000)</i>	<i>Value</i>
Call Marsico Parent Superholdco LLC	Goldman Sachs & Co.	6	12/14/19	USD	942.86		\$

Centrally Cleared Credit Default Swaps Buy Protection

<i>Reference Obligation/Underlying</i>	<i>Financing Rate Paid</i>	<i>Termination Payment Frequency</i>	<i>Termination Date</i>		<i>Notional Amount (000)</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Upfront Premium (Received)</i>	<i>Unrealized Appreciation (Add)</i>
Dow Jones CDX North America High Yield Index, Series 28, Version 1	5.00%	Quarterly	06/20/22	USD	5,787	\$ 490,739	\$ 405,588	\$ 85,151
Dow Jones Markit CDX North America High Yield Index, Series 29, Version 1	5.00%	Quarterly	12/20/22	USD	9,082	717,396	710,734	6,662
						\$ 1,208,135	\$ 1,116,322	\$ 91,813

Centrally Cleared Credit Default Swaps Sell Protection

Reference Obligation/Index	Financing Rate Received		Payment Frequency	Termination Date	Credit Rating ^(a)	Notional Amount (000) ^(b)	Upfront Premium Value (Received)	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)
	Fund	by the						
Chesapeake Energy Corp.	5.00%		Quarterly	12/20/21	B-	USD 620	\$ (21,326)	\$ (20,986) \$ (340)

(a) Using Standard & Poor's (S&P's) rating of the issuer or the underlying securities of the index, as applicable.

(b) The maximum potential amount the Fund may pay should a negative credit event take place as defined under the terms of the agreement.

OTC Credit Default Swaps - Sell Protection

Reference Obligation/Index	Financing Rate Received		Payment Frequency	Counterparty	Termination Date	Credit Rating ^(a)	Notional Amount (000) ^(b)	Upfront Premium Unpaid	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)
	Fund	by the							
and Rover	5.00		Quarterly	Credit Suisse International	06/20/22	BB+	EUR 20	\$ 4,143	\$ 3,604
ive PLC	5.00		Quarterly	Barclays Bank PLC	06/20/22	BB+	EUR 20	4,143	3,578
and Rover	1.00		Quarterly	Goldman Sachs International	12/20/22	B+	USD 2,287	431,861	314,422
ive PLC									
Telecom Ltd.									
								\$ 440,147	\$ 321,604

(a) Using Standard & Poor's (S&P's) rating of the issuer or the underlying securities of the index, as applicable.

(b) The maximum potential amount the Fund may pay should a negative credit event take place as defined under the terms of the agreement.

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Fair Value Hierarchy as of Period End

Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of investments and derivative financial instruments. These inputs to valuation techniques are categorized into a fair value hierarchy consisting of three broad levels for financial reporting purposes as follows:

Level 1 Unadjusted price quotations in active markets/exchanges for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access

Level 2 Other observable inputs (including, but not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are active, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities (such as interest rates, yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates) or other market-corroborated inputs)

Level 3 Unobservable inputs based on the best information available in the circumstances, to the extent observable inputs are not available (including the Fund's own assumptions used in determining the fair value of investments and derivative financial instruments)

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the fair value hierarchy classification is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. Investments classified within Level 3 have significant unobservable inputs used by the BlackRock Global Valuation Methodologies Committee (the Global Valuation Committee) in determining the price for Fair Valued Investments. Level 3 investments include equity or debt issued by privately held companies or funds. There may not be a secondary market, and/or there are a limited number of investors. Level 3 investments may also be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or non-transferability, with the amount of such discount estimated by the Global Valuation Committee in the absence of market information.

Changes in valuation techniques may result in transfers into or out of an assigned level within the hierarchy. In accordance with the Fund's policy, transfers between different levels of the fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred as of the beginning of the reporting period. The categorization of a value determined for investments and derivative financial instruments is based on the pricing transparency of the investments and derivative financial instruments and is not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. For information about the Fund's policy regarding valuation of investments and derivative financial instruments, refer to the Fund's most recent financial statements as contained in its semi-annual report.

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The following tables summarize the Fund's investments and derivative financial instruments categorized in the disclosure hierarchy:

	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Total</i>
Assets:				
Investments:				
Long-Term Investments:				
Asset-Backed Securities	\$	\$ 81,230,914	\$	\$ 81,230,914
Common Stocks	765,243	157,931	2,500,702	3,423,876
Corporate Bonds		400,024,243	12,882,487	412,906,730
Floating Rate Loan Interests		578,724,780	30,740,822	609,465,602
Preferred Securities	367,747	10,645,876		11,013,623
Rights			37,223	37,223
Trust Preferred	1,542,310			1,542,310
Warrants			78	78
Short-Term Securities:				
Money Market Funds	7,942,605			7,942,605
Options Purchased:				
Interest rate contracts	313			313
Total	\$ 10,618,218	\$ 1,070,783,744	\$ 46,161,312	\$ 1,127,563,274
Derivative Financial Instruments ^(a)				
Assets:				
Credit contracts	\$	\$ 210,356	\$	\$ 210,356
Forward foreign currency contracts		39,735		39,735
Interest rate contracts	2,547			2,547
Liabilities:				
Credit contracts		(340)		(340)
Forward foreign currency contracts		(402,811)		(402,811)
Interest rate contracts	(4,706)			(4,706)
Total	\$ (2,159)	\$ (153,060)	\$	\$ (155,219)

^(a) Derivative financial instruments are swaps, futures contracts, forward foreign currency exchange contracts. Swaps, futures contracts and forward foreign currency exchange contracts are valued at the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on the instrument.

The Fund may hold assets and/or liabilities in which the fair value approximates the carrying amount for financial reporting purposes. As of period end, bank borrowings payable of \$345,000,000 are categorized as Level 2 within the disclosure hierarchy.

During the period ended November 30, 2017, there were no transfers between levels.

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A reconciliation of Level 3 investments is presented when the Fund had a significant amount of Level 3 investments at the beginning and/or end of the period in relation to net assets. The following table is a reconciliation of Level 3 investments for which significant unobservable inputs were used in determining fair value:

	<i>Common Stocks</i>	<i>Asset- Backed Securities</i>	<i>Corporate Bonds</i>	<i>Floating Rate Loan Interests</i>	<i>Other Interests</i>	<i>Rights</i>	<i>Warrants</i>	<i>Total</i>
Assets:								
Beginning balance, as of February 28, 2017	\$ 2,519,729	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 10,591,604	\$ 15,974,274	\$ 12	\$ 81,663	\$ 29,644	\$ 30,996,922
Transfers into Level 3				6,969,824				6,969,824
Transfers out of Level 3 ^(b)		(1,800,000)		(3,517,576)				(5,317,576)
Other ^(c)	28,204					(28,204)		
Accrued								
Accounts/premiums				136,991				136,991
Net realized gain (loss)	23,536		3,387,526	112,820	(276,697)		28,869	3,276,054
Net change in realized appreciation (depreciation) ^(d)	(37,884)		(1,508,803)	(725,448)	346,063	(16,236)	(29,566)	(1,971,874)
Purchases			10,822,512	23,705,362				34,527,874
Sales	(32,883)		(10,410,352)	(11,915,425)	(69,378)		(28,869)	(22,456,907)
Ending balance, as of November 30, 2017	\$ 2,500,702		\$ 12,882,487	\$ 30,740,822		\$ 37,223	\$ 78	\$ 46,161,311
Net change in realized appreciation (depreciation) on investments still held at November 30, 2017 ⁵	\$ (19,030)		\$ 1,157,715	\$ (649,525)		\$ (16,236)	\$ (715)	\$ 472,209

^(a) As of February 28, 2017, the Fund used observable inputs in determining the value of certain investments. As of November 30, 2017, the Fund used significant unobservable inputs in determining the value of the same

investments. As a result, investments at the beginning of period value were transferred from Level 2 to Level 3 in the disclosure hierarchy.

- (b) As of February 28, 2017, the Fund used significant unobservable inputs in determining the value of certain investments. As of November 30, 2017, the Fund used observable inputs in determining the value of the same investments. As a result, investments at the beginning of period value were transferred from Level 3 to Level 2 in the disclosure hierarchy.
- (c) Certain Level 3 investments were re-classified between Common Stocks and Rights.
- (d) Any difference between net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) and net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments still held at November 30, 2017 is generally due to investments no longer held or categorized as Level 3 at period end.

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The following table summarizes the valuation approaches used and unobservable inputs utilized by the BlackRock Global Valuation Methodologies Committee (the Global Valuation Committee) to determine the value of certain of the Fund's Level 3 investments as of period end. The table does not include Level 3 investments with values based upon unadjusted third party pricing information in the amount of \$30,629,103. A significant change in the third party information could result in a significantly lower or higher value of such Level 3 investments.

				<i>Weighted</i>
				<i>Range of</i>
				<i>Average of</i>
				<i>Unobservable</i>
	<i>Value</i>	<i>Valuation</i>	<i>Unobservable</i>	<i>Unobservable</i>
		<i>Approach</i>	<i>Inputs</i>	<i>Inputs Utilized</i>
Assets:				
Common Stocks	\$ 2,500,686	Market	EBITDA Multiple ^(a)	5.13x - 8.38x
			Marketability Discount ^(b)	8.62%
			Time to Exit ^(b)	1.08 years
			Volatility ^(b)	23%
Corporate Bonds	12,882,486	Income	Discount Rate ^(b)	10.5%
			Marketability Discount ^(b)	8.62%
			Time to Exit ^(a)	1.08 years
			Volatility ^(a)	23%
Floating Rate Loan Interests	148,959	Income	Discount Rate ^(b)	5%
Warrants	78	Market	Volatility ^(a)	25%
Total	\$ 15,532,209			

^(a) Increase in unobservable input may result in a significant increase to value, while a decrease in the unobservable input may result in a significant decrease to value.

^(b) Decrease in unobservable input may result in a significant increase to value, while an increase in the unobservable input may result in a significant decrease to value.

Item 2 Controls and Procedures

- 2(a) The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act")) are effective as of a date within 90 days of the filing of this report based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act and Rule 13a-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- 2(b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3 Exhibits

Certifications Attached hereto

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc.

By: /s/ John M. Perlowski
John M. Perlowski
Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) of
BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc.

Date: January 22, 2018

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ John M. Perlowski
John M. Perlowski
Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) of
BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc.

Date: January 22, 2018

By: /s/ Neal J. Andrews
Neal J. Andrews
Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer) of
BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc.

Date: January 22, 2018