

***United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and  
Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund***

*Financial Statements*

*For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014*

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CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYERS LEGAL BENEFITS FUND  
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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

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Board of Trustees  
United Food and Commercial Workers Unions  
and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund, which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits and benefit obligations as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits and benefit obligations for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

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### *Opinion*

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial status of the United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and the changes in its financial status for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Brad Beebe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brad" and last name "Beebe" clearly distinguishable.

**A Professional Corporation**  
Bethesda, MD  
October 13, 2016

**UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNIONS AND  
CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYERS LEGAL BENEFITS FUND  
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AND BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS  
DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014**

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|                                                                                 | <u>2015</u>      | <u>2014</u>      |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                                                   |                  |                  |
| Investments - at fair value                                                     | \$ 138,106       | \$ 119,450       |
| Employer contributions receivable                                               | 43,211           | 44,646           |
| Prepaid expenses                                                                | <u>1,585</u>     | <u>1,510</u>     |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                                                             | 182,902          | 165,606          |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                                                              |                  |                  |
| Accounts payable                                                                | <u>24,388</u>    | <u>16,316</u>    |
| <b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>                                        | 158,514          | 149,290          |
| <b>BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS</b>                                                      |                  |                  |
| Payable to legal service providers                                              | <u>73,123</u>    | <u>73,548</u>    |
| <b>EXCESS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS<br/>OVER BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS</b> | <u>\$ 85,391</u> | <u>\$ 75,742</u> |

**UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNIONS AND  
CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYERS LEGAL BENEFITS FUND  
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AND BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014**

|                                                                                                  | <u>2015</u>      | <u>2014</u>      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS ATTRIBUTED TO</b>                              |                  |                  |
| Investment income                                                                                |                  |                  |
| Dividend and interest income                                                                     | \$ 140           | \$ 44            |
| Investment expenses                                                                              | (250)            | (254)            |
|                                                                                                  | (110)            | (210)            |
| Employer contributions                                                                           | 526,696          | 534,534          |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>                                                                           | <u>526,586</u>   | <u>534,324</u>   |
| <b>DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS ATTRIBUTED TO</b>                           |                  |                  |
| Benefits                                                                                         | 446,047          | 454,430          |
| Administrative and other expenses                                                                |                  |                  |
| Contract administrator's fee                                                                     | 33,627           | 32,926           |
| Audit fees                                                                                       | 12,250           | 12,100           |
| Payroll audit fees                                                                               | 2,494            | 3,789            |
| Legal fees                                                                                       | 16,972           | 5,243            |
| Insurance and bonding                                                                            | 4,629            | 4,455            |
| Printing and postage                                                                             | 1,343            | 889              |
| <b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS</b>                                                                          | <u>517,362</u>   | <u>513,832</u>   |
| <b>NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>                                         | 9,224            | 20,492           |
| <b>NET CHANGE IN BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS</b>                                                         |                  |                  |
| Net decrease in payable to legal service providers                                               | (425)            | (2,815)          |
| <b>INCREASE IN EXCESS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS OVER BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS</b>          | 9,649            | 23,307           |
| <b>EXCESS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS OVER BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b> | <u>75,742</u>    | <u>52,435</u>    |
| <b>EXCESS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS OVER BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS AT END OF YEAR</b>       | <u>\$ 85,391</u> | <u>\$ 75,742</u> |

**UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNIONS AND  
CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYERS LEGAL BENEFITS FUND  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014**

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**NOTE 1: PLAN DESCRIPTION**

The United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund (the Plan) is a multiemployer benefit plan subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA).

The Plan was established April 1, 1980 to provide benefits for employees working in jobs covered by collective bargaining agreements between certain employers and the United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 400. Effective June 1, 1983, employees working in jobs covered by collective bargaining agreements between certain employers and United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 27 were covered by the Plan. The membership of Local Unions 400 and 27 cover various regions in the eastern half of the United States. Contributions to the Plan are made by the employers at rates specified in their collective bargaining agreements. The Plan provides various specified legal services to the covered employees and their eligible dependents. The Trustees of the Plan have entered into agreements with attorneys to provide the legal services and have agreed to pay the attorneys a specified amount per month for each eligible employee.

Participants in the Plan become eligible for benefits on the first day of the calendar month following three consecutive monthly contributions made on their behalf by a participating employer. Eligibility status for benefit coverage will terminate upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the Summary Plan Description, including but not limited to, the termination of employment or a change in job classification to a classification which is not covered by the Plan.

Participants should refer to the Summary Plan Description for more complete information.

**NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Investments**

The Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund is a money market mutual fund and is carried at cost, which approximates fair value.

Purchases and sales of securities are reflected on a trade-date basis. Dividend income is recognized as of the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recognized as earned on the accrual basis.

In accordance with the policy of stating investments at fair value, appreciation or depreciation in value is reflected on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits and benefit obligations for the period in which it occurs.

**Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities, benefit obligations and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Subsequent Events**

In preparing these financial statements, management of the Plan has evaluated events and transactions that occurred after December 31, 2015 for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. These events and transactions were evaluated through October 13, 2016, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS

The Plan's investments are held by a custodial bank which also acts as an investment manager. The following summary presents investments that represent 5% or more of net assets available for benefits as of December 31:

|                                                | 2015       | 2014       |
|------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | \$ 138,106 | \$ 119,450 |

### NOTE 4: FAIR VALUE

Generally accepted accounting principles in the United States define fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, establish a fair value reporting hierarchy and define three broad levels of inputs (the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability) as noted below:

#### Level 1

Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

#### Level 2

Inputs are quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

#### Level 3

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

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. See Note 2 for more specific detail on valuation methodology. There have been no changes in the valuation methodology used at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the end of the reporting period. For the year ended December 31, 2015, there were no transfers in or out of levels 1, 2, or 3.

As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized by level within the fair value hierarchy as follows:

|                                                | 2015    |            |         | Total Fair Value |
|------------------------------------------------|---------|------------|---------|------------------|
|                                                | Level 1 | Level 2    | Level 3 |                  |
| Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | \$ -    | \$ 138,106 | \$ -    | \$ 138,106       |
|                                                |         |            |         |                  |
|                                                | 2014    |            |         | Total Fair Value |
|                                                | Level 1 | Level 2    | Level 3 |                  |
| Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | \$ -    | \$ 119,450 | \$ -    | \$ 119,450       |

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### NOTE 5: TAX STATUS

On November 28, 1994, the Internal Revenue Service advised that the trust qualified under Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code (the IRC) and therefore, is not subject to federal income taxes. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter; however, management believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Generally accepted accounting principles in the United States require management to evaluate tax positions taken and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. Management has evaluated the tax positions taken by the Plan and concluded that as of December 31, 2015 there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits in progress for any tax periods.

### NOTE 6: PRIORITIES UPON TERMINATION

It is the intent of the Trustees to continue the Plan in full force and effect; however, to safeguard against any unforeseen contingencies, the right to discontinue the Plan is reserved to the Trustees. In the event of termination, the Trustees shall first satisfy or make provisions to satisfy the obligations of the Plan. Any remaining Plan assets will be distributed in such manner as will in the opinion of the Trustees bring about the purpose of the Plan. Termination shall not permit any part of the Plan to be used for or diverted to purposes other than the exclusive benefit of the participants.

### NOTE 7: MAJOR EMPLOYER

The Plan has one employer that accounts for approximately 96% and 95% of employer contributions for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. In the event this employer suspends contributions, the Plan would terminate coverage to the employer's participants as required by the Plan document. The Plan would retain the risk of current fixed administrative expenses until the appropriate adjustments were made.

### NOTE 8: FUNDING POLICY

The Plan is primarily funded by employer contributions made monthly in accordance with collective bargaining agreements. The average contribution rate was \$22.08 per participant per month for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.

### NOTE 9: RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in one investment security. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and benefit obligations.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS ON SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE UNDER  
THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974**

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Board of Trustees  
United Food and Commercial Workers  
Unions and Contributing Employers  
Legal Benefits Fund

We have audited the financial statements of United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and our report thereon dated October 13, 2016 which expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements, appears on pages 1 - 2. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and reportable transactions are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Such information is the responsibility of the Plan's management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



**A Professional Corporation**  
Bethesda, MD  
October 13, 2016

**United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and Participating Employers Legal Benefits Plan**  
**EIN 52-1228768**  
**Plan Number 501**  
**Plan Year Ended December 31, 2015**

**Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i**  
**Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**

| (a)                                  | Identity of issue, borrower,<br>lessor, or similar party<br>(b) | Description of investment<br>(c) | Cost<br>(d)       | Current<br>Value<br>(e) |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Registered Investment Company</b> |                                                                 |                                  |                   |                         |
|                                      | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund                  | 138,106 Shares                   | \$ 138,106        | \$ 138,106              |
|                                      |                                                                 |                                  | <u>\$ 138,106</u> | <u>\$ 138,106</u>       |

**United Food and Commercial Workers Unions and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Plan**  
**EIN 52-1228786**  
**Plan No. 501**  
**Plan Year Ended December 31, 2015**

**Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j**  
**Schedule of Reportable Transactions**

| Identity of party involved<br>(a) |  | Description of asset<br>(b)                    | Purchase price<br>(c) | Selling price<br>(d) | Lease rental<br>(e) | Expense incurred with transaction<br>(f) | Cost of asset<br>(g) | Current value of asset on transaction date<br>(h) | Net gain or (loss)<br>(i) |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Single transaction                |  |                                                |                       |                      |                     |                                          |                      |                                                   |                           |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 36,632               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 36,632               | 36,632                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,610               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,610               | 37,610                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,442               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,442               | 37,442                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 36,887               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 36,887               | 36,887                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,189               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,189               | 37,189                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,584               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,584               | 37,584                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,472               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,472               | 37,472                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,442               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,442               | 37,442                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 14,032               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 14,032               | 14,032                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,503               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,503               | 37,503                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,341               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,341               | 37,341                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,024               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,024               | 37,024                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 37,059               | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 37,059               | 37,059                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,879                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,879               | 42,879                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 43,078                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 43,078               | 43,078                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,703                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,703               | 42,703                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,901                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,901               | 42,901                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,614                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,614               | 42,614                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,438                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,438               | 42,438                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,460                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,460               | 42,460                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,040                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,040               | 42,040                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 42,129                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 42,129               | 42,129                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 41,643                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 41,643               | 41,643                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 41,930                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 41,930               | 41,930                                            | -                         |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 41,775                | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 41,775               | 41,775                                            | -                         |
| Series of transactions:           |  |                                                |                       |                      |                     |                                          |                      |                                                   |                           |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | 508,590               | N/A                  | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 508,590              | 508,590                                           | N/A                       |
| PNC Bank                          |  | Fidelity Money Market Institutional Class Fund | N/A                   | 461,217              | N/A                 | N/A                                      | 461,217              | 461,217                                           | -                         |