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# QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act File Number: 811-08747

DIVIDEND AND INCOME FUND

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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Date of Fiscal Year End: December 31

Date of Reporting Period: September 30, 2015

# DIVIDEND AND INCOME FUND SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS

September 30, 2015

(Unaudited)

Shares	•	Value
15,000 45,000	Common Stocks (103.58%) Agricultural Chemicals (2.78%) Monsanto Company Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc.	\$1,280,100 924,750
35,000	The Mosaic Company	1,088,850 3,293,700
55,000	Aircraft Engines & Engine Parts (0.48%) Rolls-Royce Holdings PLC	564,021
18,000	Beverages (1.44%) PepsiCo, Inc. (a)	1,697,400
12,100	Biological Products (1.42%) Amgen Inc. (a)	1,673,672
32,500 21,400	Cable & Other Pay Television Services (2.19%) Rogers Communications Inc. Time Warner Inc. (a) (b)	1,120,600 1,471,250 2,591,850
28,000	Cigarettes (1.88%) Philip Morris International, Inc. (a)	2,221,240
30,000 60,000	Commercial Banks (1.55%) Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited Westpac Banking Corporation	570,510 1,263,600 1,834,110
9,000	Computer & Office Equipment (1.10%) International Business Machines Corporation	1,304,730
85,000	Computer Communications Equipment (1.89%) Cisco Systems, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	2,231,250
35,000	Conglomerate (1.07%) Loews Corp.	1,264,900
13,500	Construction, Mining & Materials Handling Machinery & Equipment (0.65%) Dover Corp. $^{\rm (a)(b)}$	771,930
45,875	Deep Sea Foreign Transportation of Freight (0.59%) Seaspan Corp.	702,805

25,000	Dolls & Stuffed Toys (0.45%) Mattel, Inc. (a)	526,500
70,000 47,500	Electric Services (2.66%) Calpine Corp. (a) Southern Company (a)	1,022,000 2,123,250 3,145,250
26,000 111,900	Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment (3.36%) Emerson Electric Co. General Electric Company <sup>(a)</sup>	1,148,420 2,822,118 3,970,538
51,500	Electronic & Other Services Combined (1.29%) Exelon Corp. <sup>(a)</sup>	1,529,550
37,000 17,500	Farm Machinery & Equipment (2.55%) AGCO Corporation (a) Deere & Company (a) (b)	1,725,310 1,295,000 3,020,310
18,000	Finance Services (1.13%) American Express Company	1,334,340
20,000 70,000	Fire, Marine & Casualty Insurance (4.97%) Ace Ltd. (a) W.R. Berkley Corporation (a) (b)	2,068,000 3,805,900 5,873,900
25,000	Food & Kindred Products (1.07%) Campbell Soup Co. (a)	1,267,000
17,100	Hospital & Medical Service Plans (2.02%) Anthem, Inc.	2,394,000
29,000 20,000	Hotels & Motels (1.16%) Las Vegas Sands Corp. Melco Crown Entertainment Limited	1,101,130 275,200 1,376,330
62,720 55,000 200,000 37,000	Investment Advice (4.30%) Apollo Global Management, LLC The Blackstone Group L.P. (a) Fortress Investment Group LLC Invesco Ltd.	1,077,530 1,741,850 1,110,000 1,155,510 5,084,890
30,000	Leather & Leather Products (0.73%) Coach, Inc. (a)	867,900

11,000	Men's & Boys' Furnishings, Work Clothing, & Allied Garments (1.10%) Ralph Lauren Corp.	1,299,760
35,000	Metal Mining (1.00%) Rio Tinto plc ADR	1,183,700
27,500	Mining Machinery & Equipment (0.35%) Joy Global Inc.	410,575
20,000	Miscellaneous Food Preparations & Kindred Products (1.39%) McCormick & Company, Incorporated	1,643,600
25,000	Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories (2.00%) Honeywell International, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	2,367,250
41,500	Ford Motor Company	1,457,000 1,628,400 1,245,830 843,500 5,174,730
20,200 39,000 30,000	National Commercial Banks (3.89%) Capital One Financial Corporation <sup>(a)</sup> U.S. Bancorp Wells Fargo & Company	1,464,904 1,599,390 1,540,500 4,604,794
110,000	Office Furniture (0.88%) Kimball International Inc. Class B	1,040,600
17,000	Paperboard Containers & Boxes (0.57%) REXAM PLC	670,650
17,000 20,500 32,500	Petroleum Refining (3.61%) Exxon Mobil Corp. Phillips 66 (a) (b) Western Refining, Inc.	1,263,950 1,575,220 1,433,900 4,273,070
23,100 40,300 37,924 42,900	Pharmaceutical Preparations (6.24%) Johnson & Johnson <sup>(a) (b)</sup> Merck & Co., Inc. <sup>(a) (b)</sup> Pfizer Inc. Sanofi ADR <sup>(a)</sup>	2,156,385 1,990,417 1,191,192 2,036,463 7,374,457
50,000	Plastic Mail, Synth Resin/Rubber, Cellulose (0.26%) Rayonier Advanced Materials Inc.	306,000
	Printed Circuit Boards (0.83%)	

82,500	Kimball Electronics, Inc. (c)	984,225
20,000	Radio & TV Broadcasting & Communications Equipment (0.91%) QUALCOMM, Incorporated <sup>(a) (b)</sup>	1,074,600
108,500 15,000	Railroads, Line-Haul Operating (3.44%) CSX Corp. <sup>(a)</sup> Norfolk Southern Corp.	2,918,650 1,146,000 4,064,650
50,000	Real Estate (0.61%) NorthStar Asset Management Group Inc.	718,000
28,600	Retail - Department Stores (1.12%) Kohl's Corporation	1,324,466
18,500	Retail - Eating Places (1.54%) McDonald's Corp. <sup>(a)</sup>	1,822,805
40,000	Retail - Family Clothing Stores (0.96%) The GAP, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	1,140,000
19,400	Retail - Variety Stores (1.06%) Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	1,257,896
33,000	Security Brokers, Dealers & Flotation Companies (0.97%) Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc.	1,147,410
40,000	Semiconductors & Related Devices (1.69%) Altera Corp.	2,003,200
83,000	Services - Business Services (1.29%) The Western Union Company (a)	1,523,880
14,000 28,000	Services - Medical Laboratories (2.74%) Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings <sup>(a) (c)</sup> Quest Diagnostics Incorporated	1,518,580 1,721,160 3,239,740
756	Services - Miscellaneous Repair Services (0.03%) Aquilex Holdings LLC Units <sup>(d)</sup>	37,605
55,000 45,000	Services - Prepackaged Software (2.64%) CA, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup> Oracle Corporation <sup>(a) (b)</sup>	1,501,500 1,625,400 3,126,900
18,000 37,500	Soap, Detergent, Cleaning Preparations, Perfumes, Cosmetics (2.37%) The Procter & Gamble Company (a) Unilever N.V.	1,294,920 1,507,500 2,802,420

17,000	Specialty Cleaning, Polishing and Sanitation Preparations (1.66%) Clorox Co. (a)	1,964,010
27,000 27,000 10,700	Surgical & Medical Instruments & Apparatus (2.67%) Baxalta Incorporated Baxter International Inc. (a) Becton, Dickinson and Company (a)	850,770 886,950 1,419,462 3,157,182
43,000 150,000	Telephone Communications (2.83%) CenturyLink, Inc. (a) Orange ADR	1,080,160 2,268,000 3,348,160
65,000	Title Insurance (2.15%) First American Financial Corporation	2,539,550
32,000	Wholesale - Electronic Parts & Equipment (1.16%) Avnet, Inc.	1,365,760
45,000	Wholesale - Groceries & Related Products (1.48%) Sysco Corp. <sup>(a)</sup>	1,753,650
20,000	Wholesale - Industrial Machinery & Equipment (1.03%) MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.	1,220,600
	Total common stocks (Cost \$120,896,884)	122,508,011
Principal Amount	Corporate Bonds and Notes (2.07%)	
214,000	Cable & Other Pay Television Services (0.18%) CCO Holdings LLC, 7.00%, 1/15/19 (a)	218,548
450,000	Cogeneration Services & Small Power Producers (0.40%) Covanta Holding Corp., 7.25%, 12/1/20 (a)	468,562
517,101	Electric Services (0.49%) Elwood Energy LLC, 8.159%, 7/5/26 (a)	573,982
250,000	Hospital & Medical Service Plans (0.22%) Health Net, Inc., 6.375%, 6/1/17 (a)	261,315
169,000	Oil & Gas Field Exploration Services (0.11%) CGG-Veritas, 7.75%, 5/15/17 (a) (b)	132,665
500,000	Special Industry Machinery (0.41%) Novelis, Inc., 8.375%, 12/15/17 (a)	485,625
	Wholesale - Electronic Parts & Equipment, NEC (0.26%)	

300,000	Brightstar Corp., 9.50%, 12/1/16 (e)	303,000
	Total corporate bonds and notes (Cost \$2,428,573)	2,443,697
•	Real Estate Investment Trusts (4.65%) HCP, Inc. New Residential Investment Corp. Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. Welltower Inc.  Total real estate investment trusts (Cost \$5,187,146)	1,285,125 1,310,000 1,384,740 1,523,700 5,503,565
813,527	Reorganization Interests (0%) Penson Technologies LLC Units (c) (d) (Cost \$ 0)	0
40,000	Master Limited Partnerships (0.84%) Natural Gas Transmission (0.84%) Enterprise Products Partners LP <sup>(a)</sup> (Cost \$374,214)  Preferred Stocks (2.26%)	996,000
79,469 29,850 80,000	Financial (2.26%) Annaly Capital Management, Inc., 7.625% Series C Hatteras Financial Corp., 7.625% Series A Solar Cayman Ltd. (a) (c) (d)	1,961,295 706,251 0
	Total preferred stocks (Cost \$3,046,150)	2,667,546
93,057	Money Market Fund (0.08%) SSgA Money Market Fund, 7 day annualized yield 0.00%) (Cost: \$93,057)	93,057
	Total investments (Cost \$132,026,024) (113.48%)	134,211,876
	Liabilities in excess of other assets (-13.48%)	(15,945,710)
	Net assets (100.00%)	\$118,266,166

As of September 30, 2015, the value of securities pledged as collateral was \$43,167,293.

value of securities on loan was \$10,897,984.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(a)</sup> All or a portion of these securities, have been segregated as collateral pursuant to the Committed Facility Agreement.

<sup>(</sup>b) All or a portion of these securities were on loan pursuant to the Lending Agreement. As of September 30, 2015, the

<sup>(</sup>c) Non-income producing.

<sup>(</sup>d) Illiquid and/or restricted security that has been fair valued.

(e) These securities are exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.

ADR American Depositary Receipt LLC Limited Liability Company LP Limited Partnership

Notes to Schedule of Portfolio Investments (Unaudited)

#### Valuation of Investments

Portfolio securities are valued by various methods depending on the primary market or exchange on which they trade. Most equity securities for which the primary market is in the United States are valued at the official closing price, last sale price or, if no sale has occurred, at the closing bid price. Most equity securities for which the primary market is outside the United States are valued using the official closing price or the last sale price in the principal market in which they are traded. If the last sale price on the local exchange is unavailable, the last evaluated quote or closing bid price normally is used. Certain debt securities may be priced through pricing services that may utilize a matrix pricing system which takes into consideration factors such as yields, prices, maturities, call features, and ratings on comparable securities or according to prices quoted by a securities dealer that offers pricing services. Open end investment companies are valued at their net asset value. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available or reliable and other assets may be valued as determined in good faith by Bexil Advisers LLC, the Investment Manager, under the direction of or pursuant to procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuation, such fair value pricing values may differ from the values that would have been used had a readily available market for the securities existed. These differences in valuation could be material. A security's valuation may differ depending on the method used for determining value. The use of fair value pricing by the Fund may cause the net asset value of its shares to differ from the net asset value that would be calculated using market prices. A fair value price is an estimate and there is no assurance that such price will be at or close to the price at which a security is next quoted or next trades.

#### Value Measurements

Inputs to valuation methods are prioritized by a three level hierarchy as follows:

- Level 1 unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities including securities actively traded on a securities exchange.
- Level 2 observable inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability which may include quoted prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates, and similar data.
- Level 3 unobservable inputs for the asset or liability including the Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for investments categorized in level 3. The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The inputs or methodology used for valuing investments are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a description of the valuation techniques applied to the Fund's major categories of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Equity securities (common and preferred stock) – Most publicly traded equity securities are valued normally at the most recent official closing price, last sale price, evaluated quote, or closing bid price. To the extent these securities are actively traded and valuation adjustments are not applied, they may be categorized in level 1 of the fair value

hierarchy. Equities on inactive markets or valued by reference to similar instruments may be categorized in level 2.

Corporate bonds and notes – The fair value of corporate bonds and notes are normally estimated using various techniques which may consider, among other things, recently executed transactions in securities of the issuer or comparable issuers, market price quotations (where observable), bond spreads, and fundamental data relating to the issuer. Although most corporate bonds and notes may be categorized in level 2 of the fair value hierarchy, in instances where lower relative weight is placed on transaction prices, quotations, or similar observable inputs, they may be categorized in level 3.

Restricted and/or illiquid securities – Restricted and/or illiquid securities for which quotations are not readily available or reliable may be valued with fair value pricing as determined in good faith by the Investment Manager under the direction of or pursuant to procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees. Restricted securities issued by publicly traded companies are generally valued at a discount to similar publicly traded securities. Restricted or illiquid securities issued by nonpublic entities may be valued by reference to comparable public entities or fundamental data relating to the issuer or both or similar inputs. Depending on the relative significance of valuation inputs, these instruments may be categorized in either level 2 or level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of September 30, 2015 in valuing the Fund's assets. Refer to the schedules of portfolio investments for detailed information on specific investments.

ASSETS	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Investments, at value				
Common stocks	\$122,470,406	\$-	\$37,605	\$122,508,011
Corporate bonds and notes	-	2,443,697	-	2,443,697
Real estate investment trusts	5,503,565	-	-	5,503,565
Reorganization interests	-	-	0	0
Master limited partnerships	996,000	-	-	996,000
Preferred stocks	2,667,546	-	0	2,667,546
Money market fund	93,057	-	-	93,057
Total investments, at value	\$131,730,574	\$2,443,697	\$37,605	\$134,211,876

There were no securities transferred from level 1 on December 31, 2014 to level 2 on September 30, 2015.

The following is a reconciliation of level 3 assets including securities valued at zero:

	Common Reorganization Preferred Total				
	Stocks Interes	ests	Stoc	ks	otai
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 26,935\$	0	\$	0 \$	26,935
Proceeds from sales	-	-		-	-
Realized gain (loss)	-	-		-	-
Transfers into (out of) level 3	-	-		-	-
Change in unrealized appreciation	10,670	-		-	10,670
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 37,605\$	0	\$	0 \$	37,605
Net change in unrealized depreciation attributable to assets still held as	\$ 10,670\$	0	\$	0 \$	5 10.670
level 3 at September 30, 2015	Ψ 10,070Ψ	U	Ψ	U 4	, 10,070

The Investment Manager, under the direction of the Fund's Board of Trustees, considers various valuation approaches for valuing assets categorized within level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. The factors used in determining the value of such assets may include, but are not limited to: the discount applied due to the private nature of the asset; the type of the security; the size of the asset; the initial cost of the security; the existence of any contractual restrictions on the security's disposition; the price and extent of public trading in similar securities of the issuer or of comparable companies; quotations or evaluated prices from broker-dealers and/or pricing services; information obtained from the issuer or analysts; an analysis of the company's or issuer's financial statements; or an evaluation of the forces that influence the issuer and the market in which the asset is purchased and sold. Significant changes in any of those inputs in isolation may result in a significantly lower or higher fair value measurement. The pricing of all fair value assets is normally reported to the Fund's Board of Trustees.

The following table presents additional information about valuation methodologies and inputs used for assets that are measured at fair value and categorized as level 3 as of September 30, 2015:

September 30, 2015	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range
Common stocks				
Services – Miscellaneous	¢ 27.60	Share of taxable income and comparable	Discount rate for lack of	2501
Repair Services	\$ 37,00.	Share of taxable income and comparable exchange offer	marketability	33%
Reorganization interests	\$	Cost; last known market value for predecessor securities; estimated recovery on liquidation	Discount rate for lack of marketability	100%
Preferred stocks			·	
Financial	\$	Most recently reported net asset value	Discount rate for lack of marketability	100%

#### Cost for Federal Income Tax Purposes

As of September 30, 2015, for federal income tax purposes, subject to change, the aggregate cost of securities was \$132,026,024 and net unrealized appreciation was \$2,185,852, comprised of gross unrealized appreciation of \$19,000,252 and gross unrealized depreciation of \$16,814,400. The aggregate cost of investments for tax purposes will depend upon the Fund's investment experience during the entirety of its fiscal year and may be subject to changes based on tax regulations.

## Illiquid and Restricted Securities

The Fund owns securities which have a limited trading market and/or certain restrictions on trading and, therefore, may be illiquid and/or restricted. Such securities have been valued using fair value pricing. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuation, fair value pricing values may differ from the values that would have been used had a readily available market for the securities existed. These differences in valuation could be material. Illiquid and/or restricted securities owned as of September 30, 2015 were as follows:

	Acquisition Date	Cost	Value
Aquilex Holdings LLC	3/08/12	\$496,372	\$37,605
Penson Technologies LLC	4/09/14	0	0
Solar Cayman Ltd.	3/07/07	568,802	0
Total		\$1,065,174	\$37,605
Percent of net assets		0.90 %	0.03 %

#### Market and Credit Risks

The Fund may invest in below investment grade fixed income securities, which carry ratings of BB or lower by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and/or Ba1 or lower by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. Investments in these below investment grade securities may be accompanied by a greater degree of credit risk than higher rated securities. Additionally, lower rated securities may be more susceptible to adverse economic and competitive industry conditions than investment grade securities. The relative illiquidity of some of these securities may adversely affect the ability of the Fund to dispose of such securities in a timely manner and at a fair price at times when it might be necessary or advantageous for the Fund to liquidate portfolio securities.

#### Item 2. Controls and Procedures

The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer 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

(a) amended (the "1940 Act")) are effective as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the disclosure controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act and 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) (b) 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

(a) Certifications of the registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act.

#### Signatures

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.

Dividend and Income Fund

By: <u>/s/ Thomas B. Winmill</u>
Thomas B. Winmill, President

Date: November 17, 2015

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: <u>/s/ Thomas B. Winmill</u>
Thomas B. Winmill, President

Date: November 17, 2015

By: /s/ Thomas O'Malley

Thomas O'Malley, Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 17, 2015

#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

(a) Certifications of the registrant's principal executive and principal financial officer as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act. (EX-99.CERT)