

LIBERTY ALL STAR EQUITY FUND

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QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number: 811-04809

LIBERTY ALL-STAR EQUITY FUND

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

1290 Broadway, Suite 1100, Denver, Colorado 80203

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Alex J. Marks

ALPS Fund Services, Inc.

1290 Broadway, Suite 1100

Denver, Colorado 80203

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 623-2577

Date of fiscal year end: December 31

Date of reporting period: January 1, 2016 – March 31, 2016

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Item 1 – Schedule of Investments.

Liberty All-Star® Equity Fund
 Schedule of Investments
 As of March 31, 2016 (unaudited)

	SHARES	MARKET VALUE
COMMON STOCKS (97.95%)		
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY (14.11%)		
Auto Components (0.62%)		
Johnson Controls, Inc.	172,000	\$6,702,840
Automobiles (0.48%)		
Ford Motor Co.	385,900	5,209,650
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure (1.78%)		
Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc. ^(a)	10,038	4,727,597
Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.	71,346	5,861,074
Starbucks Corp.	146,900	8,769,930
		19,358,601
Household Durables (1.36%)		
Lennar Corp., Class A ^(b)	136,000	6,576,960
PulteGroup, Inc.	443,476	8,297,436
		14,874,396
Internet & Catalog Retail (2.53%)		
Amazon.com, Inc. ^(a)	31,893	18,932,961
The Priceline Group, Inc. ^(a)	6,739	8,686,301
		27,619,262
Media (3.08%)		
CBS Corp., Class B ^(b)	49,081	2,703,873
Grupo Televisa SAB ^(c)	83,604	2,295,766
The Interpublic Group of Cos., Inc.	128,075	2,939,321
News Corp., Class A	305,600	3,902,512
News Corp., Class B	112,445	1,489,896
Omnicom Group, Inc.	64,775	5,391,223
Time Warner, Inc.	84,000	6,094,200
The Walt Disney Co.	87,641	8,703,628
		33,520,419
Specialty Retail (3.35%)		
The Home Depot, Inc.	138,031	18,417,476
Lowe's Cos., Inc.	98,000	7,423,500
Ross Stores, Inc.	71,290	4,127,691
Staples, Inc.	597,507	6,590,502
		36,559,169
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods (0.91%)		
Coach, Inc.	42,915	1,720,462
NIKE, Inc., Class B	43,448	2,670,748
Under Armour, Inc., Class A ^(a)	52,600	4,462,058
VF Corp.	16,206	1,049,501
		9,902,769

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	SHARES	MARKET VALUE
COMMON STOCKS (continued)		
CONSUMER STAPLES (7.95%)		
Beverages (0.91%)		
Diageo PLC ^(c)	40,800	\$4,401,096
Monster Beverage Corp. ^(a)	40,900	5,455,242
		9,856,338
Food & Staples Retailing (3.24%)		
Costco Wholesale Corp.	39,275	6,188,955
CVS Health Corp.	145,400	15,082,342
Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc.	83,100	7,000,344
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	102,925	7,049,333
		35,320,974
Food Products (2.98%)		
Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.	290,100	10,533,531
The Hershey Co.	36,500	3,361,285
The Kraft Heinz Co.	90,200	7,086,112
Mondelez International, Inc., Class A	287,600	11,538,512
		32,519,440
Personal Products (0.82%)		
Coty, Inc., Class A ^(b)	119,000	3,311,770
Unilever NV	126,100	5,634,148
		8,945,918
ENERGY (8.71%)		
Energy Equipment & Services (1.44%)		
Halliburton Co.	438,500	15,663,220
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (7.27%)		
Anadarko Petroleum Corp.	141,572	6,593,008
BP PLC ^{(b)(c)}	202,301	6,105,444
California Resources Corp.	8,875	9,141
Cenovus Energy, Inc.	337,675	4,389,775
Chevron Corp.	77,600	7,403,040
ConocoPhillips	166,900	6,721,063
Continental Resources, Inc. ^(a)	37,878	1,149,976
Devon Energy Corp.	66,016	1,811,479
Exxon Mobil Corp.	79,550	6,649,585
Hess Corp.	41,743	2,197,769
Marathon Oil Corp.	229,700	2,558,858
Murphy Oil Corp.	219,475	5,528,575
Occidental Petroleum Corp.	94,800	6,487,164
Phillips 66	80,300	6,953,177
Pioneer Natural Resources Co.	28,600	4,025,164
Royal Dutch Shell PLC, Class A ^(c)	220,157	10,666,607
		79,249,825

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	SHARES	MARKET VALUE
COMMON STOCKS (continued)		
FINANCIALS (19.12%)		
Capital Markets (5.04%)		
Affiliated Managers Group, Inc. ^(a)	38,921	\$6,320,771
Ameriprise Financial, Inc.	22,318	2,098,115
Bank of New York Mellon Corp.	170,500	6,279,515
The Charles Schwab Corp. ^(b)	361,948	10,141,783
Franklin Resources, Inc.	186,375	7,277,944
The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.	40,750	6,396,935
Morgan Stanley	255,400	6,387,554
State Street Corp.	82,925	4,852,771
UBS Group AG	325,600	5,216,112
		54,971,500
Commercial Banks (3.69%)		
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA ^{(b)(c)}	559,300	3,646,636
BB&T Corp.	190,800	6,347,916
BOK Financial Corp. ^(b)	44,400	2,425,128
Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc. ^(b)	44,600	2,457,906
First Republic Bank	149,114	9,936,957
M&T Bank Corp.	35,400	3,929,400
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc. ^{(b)(c)}	682,100	3,130,839
The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	41,062	3,472,614
Regions Financial Corp.	614,950	4,827,357
		40,174,753
Consumer Finance (1.23%)		
Visa, Inc., Class A	175,160	13,396,237
Diversified Financial Services (3.11%)		
Bank of America Corp.	927,950	12,545,884
Citigroup, Inc.	176,731	7,378,519
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	146,275	8,662,405
Voya Financial, Inc.	178,950	5,327,342
		33,914,150
Insurance (4.19%)		
The Allstate Corp.	109,500	7,377,015
American International Group, Inc.	93,575	5,057,729
Axis Capital Holdings Ltd.	95,400	5,290,884
Chubb Ltd.	120,900	14,405,235
Marsh & McLennan Cos., Inc.	121,800	7,404,222
Metlife, Inc.	140,725	6,183,456
		45,718,541
Real Estate Investment Trusts (1.86%)		
American Tower Corp.	120,450	12,330,466

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	SHARES	MARKET VALUE
COMMON STOCKS (continued)		
Real Estate Investment Trusts (continued)		
Equinix, Inc.	23,991	\$7,934,064
		20,264,530
HEALTH CARE (15.71%)		
Biotechnology (5.06%)		
AbbVie, Inc.	107,900	6,163,248
Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ^(a)	87,334	12,158,639
Amgen, Inc.	31,500	4,722,795
Baxalta, Inc.	177,500	7,171,000
BioMarin Pharmaceutical, Inc. ^(a)	50,173	4,138,269
Celgene Corp. ^(a)	82,830	8,290,455
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	65,521	6,018,759
Puma Biotechnology, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	72,956	2,142,718
Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ^(a)	54,738	4,351,124
		55,157,007
Health Care Equipment & Supplies (1.51%)		
Baxter International, Inc.	242,875	9,977,305
Medtronic PLC	86,200	6,465,000
		16,442,305
Health Care Providers & Services (3.21%)		
Acadia Healthcare Co., Inc. ^(a)	61,400	3,383,754
Cardinal Health, Inc.	83,200	6,818,240
Cigna Corp.	45,056	6,183,486
Envision Healthcare Holdings, Inc. ^(a)	259,498	5,293,759
Express Scripts Holding Co. ^(a)	85,200	5,852,388
Quest Diagnostics, Inc.	104,400	7,459,380
		34,991,007
Health Care Technology (1.55%)		
Athenahealth, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	49,700	6,897,366
Cerner Corp. ^(a)	127,400	6,747,104
HMS Holdings Corp. ^(a)	225,087	3,229,998
		16,874,468
Life Sciences Tools & Services (0.58%)		
Illumina, Inc. ^(a)	39,100	6,338,501
Pharmaceuticals (3.80%)		
Abbott Laboratories	107,925	4,514,503
Allergan PLC ^(a)	22,000	5,896,660
Johnson & Johnson	66,000	7,141,200
Merck & Co., Inc.	134,100	7,095,231
Novartis AG ^(c)	58,200	4,216,008
Perrigo Co. PLC	48,905	6,256,416

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	SHARES	MARKET VALUE
COMMON STOCKS (continued)		
Pharmaceuticals (continued)		
Pfizer, Inc.	211,400	\$6,265,896
		41,385,914
INDUSTRIALS (7.49%)		
Aerospace & Defense (1.81%)		
General Dynamics Corp.	43,300	5,688,321
Northrop Grumman Corp.	36,100	7,144,190
Raytheon Co.	56,100	6,879,543
		19,712,054
Airlines (0.23%)		
Delta Air Lines, Inc.	51,577	2,510,768
Building Products (0.40%)		
Masco Corp.	139,435	4,385,231
Commercial Services & Supplies (0.67%)		
Waste Management, Inc.	124,400	7,339,600
Industrial Conglomerates (0.42%)		
General Electric Co.	142,100	4,517,359
Machinery (2.96%)		
Deere & Co.	43,000	3,310,570
Dover Corp.	106,975	6,881,702
Illinois Tool Works, Inc.	47,000	4,814,680
Oshkosh Corp.	104,500	4,270,915
Parker-Hannifin Corp.	69,375	7,706,175
Stanley Black & Decker, Inc.	50,400	5,302,584
		32,286,626
Road & Rail (0.35%)		
J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.	45,390	3,823,653
Trading Companies & Distributors (0.65%)		
HD Supply Holdings, Inc. ^(a)	212,983	7,043,348
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (20.35%)		
Communications Equipment (0.90%)		
Cisco Systems, Inc.	259,900	7,399,353
Palo Alto Networks, Inc. ^(a)	15,006	2,448,079
		9,847,432
Computers & Peripherals (0.36%)		
HP, Inc.	315,950	3,892,504

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COMMON STOCKS (continued)		
Electronic Equipment & Instruments (0.40%)		
Corning, Inc.	209,425	\$4,374,888
Internet Software & Services (5.57%)		
Alphabet, Inc., Class A ^(a)	18,752	14,305,901
Alphabet, Inc., Class C ^(a)	20,100	14,973,495
CoStar Group, Inc. ^(a)	21,189	3,987,134
Criteo SA ^{(a)(c)}	57,727	2,391,052
Facebook, Inc., Class A ^(a)	188,260	21,480,466
Pandora Media, Inc. ^{(a)(b)}	396,105	3,545,140
		60,683,188
IT Services (1.05%)		
PayPal Holdings, Inc. ^(a)	92,000	3,551,200
Xerox Corp.	706,400	7,883,424
		11,434,624
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment (2.72%)		
ARM Holdings PLC ^(c)	121,300	5,299,597
Intel Corp.	393,300	12,723,255
Microchip Technology, Inc.	14,517	699,720
NXP Semiconductors NV ^(a)	66,972	5,429,420
Texas Instruments, Inc.	95,000	5,454,900
		29,606,892
Software (8.36%)		
Adobe Systems, Inc. ^(a)	104,200	9,773,960
CA, Inc.	237,100	7,300,309
Imperva, Inc. ^(a)	42,617	2,152,158
Microsoft Corp.	273,213	15,089,554
Mobileye NV ^{(a)(b)}	311,991	11,634,144
Oracle Corp.	311,625	12,748,579
Salesforce.com, Inc. ^(a)	273,354	20,181,726
ServiceNow, Inc. ^(a)	92,100	5,634,678
Splunk, Inc. ^(a)	108,200	5,294,226
Tableau Software, Inc., Class A ^(a)	27,963	1,282,663
		91,091,997
Technology Hardware, Storage & Equipment (0.99%)		
Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co.	315,950	5,601,793
Seagate Technology	152,375	5,249,319
		10,851,112
MATERIALS (1.65%)		
Chemicals (1.12%)		
The Dow Chemical Co.	99,100	5,040,226
EI du Pont de Nemours & Co.	114,100	7,224,812
		12,265,038

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	SHARES	MARKET VALUE
COMMON STOCKS (continued)		
Construction Materials (0.53%)		
Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.	36,000	\$5,742,360
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES (1.35%)		
Diversified Telecommunication (1.35%)		
AT&T, Inc.	188,000	7,363,960
Verizon Communications, Inc.	136,900	7,403,552
		14,767,512
UTILITIES (1.51%)		
Electric Utilities (0.85%)		
Edison International	100,000	7,189,000
ITC Holdings Corp.	46,013	2,004,787
		9,193,787
Gas Utilities (0.33%)		
National Fuel Gas Co.	72,000	3,603,600
Independent Power and Renewable Energy Producers (0.33%)		
AES Corp.	307,000	3,622,600
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (COST OF \$976,610,546)		1,067,527,907
	PAR VALUE/ SHARES	MARKET VALUE
SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS (4.32%)		
REPURCHASE AGREEMENT (2.06%)		
Repurchase agreement with State Street Bank & Trust Co., dated 3/31/16, due 04/01/16 at 0.01%, collateralized by United States Treasury Bond, 2.125%, 09/30/21, market value of \$22,880,167 and par value of \$22,020,000. (Repurchase proceeds of \$22,418,006).		
(COST OF \$22,418,000)	\$22,418,000	\$22,418,000
INVESTMENTS PURCHASED WITH COLLATERAL FROM SECURITIES LOANED (2.26%)		
State Street Navigator Securities Lending Prime Portfolio, 0.50%		
(COST OF \$24,597,929)	24,597,929	24,597,929
TOTAL SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS (COST OF \$47,015,929)		47,015,929
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (102.27%) (COST OF \$1,023,626,475) ^(d)		\$1,114,543,836

LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS (-2.27%)	(24,695,007)
NET ASSETS (100.00%)	\$1,089,848,829
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE (185,475,952 SHARES OUTSTANDING)	\$5.88

(a) Non-income producing security.

(b) Security, or a portion of the security position, is currently on loan. The total market value of securities on loan is \$24,665,539.

(c) American Depositary Receipt.

(d) Cost of investments for federal income tax purposes is \$1,026,878,690.

Gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation at March 31, 2016 based on cost of investments for federal income tax purposes is as follows:

Gross unrealized appreciation	\$158,606,493
Gross unrealized depreciation	(70,941,347)
Net unrealized appreciation	\$87,665,146

See Notes to Schedule of Investments

Liberty All-Star® Equity Fund
Notes to Schedule of Investments
As of March 31, 2016 (unaudited)

Security Valuation

Equity securities are valued at the last sale price at the close of the principal exchange on which they trade, except for securities listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (“NASDAQ”), which are valued at the NASDAQ official closing price. Unlisted securities or listed securities for which there were no sales during the day are valued at the closing bid price on such exchanges or over-the-counter markets.

Cash collateral from securities lending activity is reinvested in the State Street Navigator Securities Lending Prime Portfolio, a registered investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”), which operates as a money market fund in compliance with Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act. Shares of registered investment companies are valued daily at that investment company’s net asset value per share. Repurchase agreements are valued at cost, which approximates fair value.

The Fund’s investments are valued at market value or, in the absence of market value with respect to any portfolio securities, at fair value according to procedures adopted by the Fund’s Board of Trustees (the “Board”). When market quotations are not readily available, or in management’s judgment they do not accurately reflect fair value of a security, or an event occurs after the market close but before the Fund is priced that materially affects the value of a security, the security will be valued by the Advisor, ALPS Advisors, Inc. (the “Advisor”), using fair valuation procedures established by the Board. Examples of potentially significant events that could materially impact a Fund’s net asset value include, but are not limited to: single issuer events such as corporate actions, reorganizations, mergers, spin-offs, liquidations, acquisitions and buyouts; corporate announcements on earnings or product offerings; regulatory news; and litigation and multiple issuer events such as governmental actions; natural disasters or armed conflicts that affect a country or a region; or significant market fluctuations. Potential significant events are monitored by the Advisor, Sub-Advisers and/or the Valuation Committee through independent reviews of market indicators, general news sources and communications from the Fund’s custodian. As of March 31, 2016, the Fund held no securities that were fair valued.

Security Transactions

Security transactions are recorded on trade date. Cost is determined and gains/(losses) are based upon the specific identification method for both financial statement and federal income tax purposes.

Income Recognition

Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Corporate actions and dividend income are recorded on the ex-date.

The Fund estimates components of distributions from real estate investment trusts (“REITs”). Distributions received in excess of income are recorded as a reduction of the cost of the related investments. Once the REIT reports annually the tax character of its distributions, the Fund revises its estimates. If the Fund no longer owns the applicable securities, any distributions received in excess of income are recorded as realized gains.

Repurchase Agreements

The Fund engages in repurchase agreement transactions with institutions that the Fund’s investment advisor has determined are creditworthy. The Fund, through its custodian, receives delivery of underlying securities collateralizing a repurchase agreement. Collateral is at least equal, at all times, to the value of the repurchase obligation, including interest. A repurchase agreement transaction involves certain risks in the event of default or insolvency of the counterparty. These risks include possible delays or restrictions upon a Fund’s ability to dispose of the underlying securities and a possible decline in the value of the underlying securities during the period while the Fund seeks to assert its rights.

Repurchase agreements are entered into by the Fund under a Master Repurchase Agreement (“MRA”) which permits the Fund, under certain circumstances, including an event of default (such as bankruptcy or insolvency), to offset payables and/or receivables under the MRA with collateral held and/or posted to the counterparty and create one single net payment due or from the Fund.

Lending of Portfolio Securities

The Fund may lend its portfolio securities only to borrowers that are approved by the Fund’s securities lending agent, State Street Bank & Trust Co. (“SSB”). The Fund will limit such lending to not more than 30% of the value of its total assets. The borrower pledges and maintains with the Fund collateral consisting of cash (U.S. Dollar only), securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, or by irrevocable bank letters of credit issued by a person other than the borrower or an affiliate of the borrower. The initial collateral received by the Fund is required to have a value of no less than 102% of the market value of the loaned securities for securities traded on U.S. exchanges and a value of no less than 105% of the market value for all other securities. The collateral is maintained thereafter, at a market value equal to no less than 100% of the current value of the securities on loan. The market value of the loaned securities is determined at the close of each business day and any additional required collateral is delivered to the Fund on the next business day. During the term of the loan, the Fund is entitled to all distributions made on or in respect of the loaned securities. Loans of securities are terminable at any time and the borrower, after notice, is required to return borrowed securities within the standard time period for settlement of securities transactions.

Any cash collateral received is reinvested in a money market fund managed by SSB as disclosed in the Fund’s Schedule of Investments. Non-cash collateral, in the form of securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, is not disclosed in the Fund’s Schedule of Investments as it is held by the lending agent on behalf of the Fund, and the Fund does not have the ability to re-hypothecate these securities. As of March 31, 2016, the market value of securities on loan was \$24,665,539, and the total cash collateral and non-cash collateral received was \$24,597,929 and \$911,603, respectively.

The risks of securities lending include the risk that the borrower may not provide additional collateral when required or may not return the securities when due. To mitigate these risks, the Fund benefits from a borrower default indemnity provided by SSB. SSB’s indemnity allows for full replacement of securities lent wherein SSB will purchase the unreturned loaned securities on the open market by applying the proceeds of the collateral, or to the extent such proceeds are insufficient or the collateral is unavailable, SSB will purchase the unreturned loan securities at SSB’s expense. However, the Fund could suffer a loss if the value of the investments purchased with cash collateral falls below the value of the cash collateral received.

Fair Value Measurements

The Fund discloses the classification of its fair value measurements following a three-tier hierarchy based on the inputs used to measure fair value. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability that are developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability that are developed based on the best information available.

Valuation techniques used to value the Fund's investments by major category are as follows:

Equity securities that are valued based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets are categorized as Level 1 in the hierarchy. In the event there were no sales during the day or closing prices are not available, securities are valued at the mean of quoted bid and ask prices on such day and are generally categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy. Repurchase agreements are valued at cost, which approximates fair value, and are categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments as of the end of the reporting period. When inputs used fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the level in the hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The designated input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with these investments.

These inputs are categorized in the following hierarchy under applicable financial accounting standards:

- Level 1—Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical investments, unrestricted assets or liabilities that a Fund has the ability to access at the measurement date;
 - Level 2—Quoted prices which are not active, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable (either directly or indirectly) for substantially the full term of the asset or liability; and
 - Level 3—Significant unobservable prices or inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments) where there is little or no market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date.
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The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of March 31, 2016:

Investments in Securities at Value*	Valuation Inputs			Level 3	Total
	Level 1	Level 2			
Common Stocks	\$1,067,527,907	\$-	\$	-	\$1,067,527,907
Short Term Investment	-	22,418,000	-	-	22,418,000
Investments Purchased with Collateral from Securities Loaned	24,597,929	-	-	-	24,597,929
Total	\$1,092,125,836	\$22,418,000	\$	-	\$1,114,543,836

* See Schedule of Investments for industry classifications.

The Fund recognizes transfers between levels as of the end of the period. For the period ended March 31, 2016, the Fund did not have any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 securities. The Fund did not have any securities which used significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) in determining fair value during the period.

Indemnification

In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnities. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims against the Fund. Also, under the Fund's organizational documents and by contract, the Trustees and Officers of the Fund are indemnified against certain liabilities that may arise out of their duties to the Fund. However, based on experience, the Fund expects the risk of loss due to these warranties and indemnities to be minimal.

Item 2 - Controls and Procedures.

The registrant's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer have evaluated the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940) within (a) 90 days of this filing and have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures were effective, as of that date.

There was no change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under (b) the Investment Company Act of 1940) during registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3 – Exhibits.

Separate certifications for the registrant's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, as required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, are attached as Ex99.CERT.

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.

LIBERTY ALL-STAR EQUITY FUND

By: /s/ William Parmentier
William Parmentier
President (principal executive officer)

Date: May 24, 2016

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/ William Parmentier
William Parmentier
President (principal executive officer)

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