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Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, CA 94403-1906  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Craig S. Tyle, One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, CA 94403-1906

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 312-2000

Date of fiscal year end: 3/31

Date of reporting period: 9/30/14

**Item 1. Reports to Stockholders.**

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**Semiannual Report**

September 30, 2014

# Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust

*Formerly, Franklin Templeton Limited Duration Income Trust*

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Franklin Templeton is a global leader in asset management serving clients in over 150 countries.<sup>1</sup> We run our business with the same prudence we apply to asset management, staying focused on delivering relevant investment solutions, strong long-term results and reliable, personal service. This approach, focused on putting clients first, has helped us to become one of the most trusted names in financial services.

1. As of 12/31/13. Clients are represented by the total number of shareholder accounts.

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## Semiannual Report

### Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust

*(formerly, Franklin Templeton Limited Duration Income Trust)*

This semiannual report for Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust covers the period ended September 30, 2014.

#### Your Fund's Goals and Main Investments

The Fund seeks to provide high, current income, with a secondary objective of capital appreciation to the extent possible and consistent with the Fund's primary objective, through a portfolio consisting primarily of high yield corporate bonds, floating rate corporate loans and mortgage- and other asset-backed securities.

#### Performance Overview

For the six months under review, the Fund had cumulative total returns of +0.85% based on net asset value and -2.20% based on market price. Net asset value decreased from \$14.36 per share on March 31, 2014, to \$14.09 at period-end, and the market price decreased from \$13.05 to \$12.38 over the same period. You can find the Fund's long-term performance data in the Performance Summary on page 6.

*Performance data represent past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may differ from figures shown.*

#### Economic and Market Overview

The U.S. economy continued to show signs of recovery during the six-month period ended September 30, 2014. Economic activity rebounded strongly in the second quarter of 2014, after a weather-related contraction in the first quarter, with growth arising largely from an expanded manufacturing sector and increased personal consumption, business inventory and capital investment, and exports. Retail sales rose at a modest pace that missed consensus expectations for most of the period under review. The housing market improved as home prices rose and mortgage rates generally moderated. The unemployment rate declined to 5.9% in September 2014 from 6.7% in March.<sup>1</sup> Inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, was subdued for the period.

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The U.S. Federal Reserve Board (Fed) continued to reduce its asset purchases during the six-month period based on its view that underlying economic strength could support improvement in labor market conditions. In September 2014, the Fed indicated it planned to maintain its near-zero interest rate policy for a considerable time after its bond-buying program likely ends in October. The Fed also noted that inflation remained below its unofficial 2% target. Fed actions to normalize monetary policy remained dependent on economic performance, and the Fed lowered its U.S. economic growth projections in September.

1. Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**The dollar value, number of shares or principal amount, and names of all portfolio holdings are listed in the Fund's Statement of Investments (SOI). The SOI begins on page 11.**

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The 10-year Treasury yield declined from 2.73% at the beginning of the period to 2.52% on September 30, 2014, as investors shifted to less risky assets given the crises in Ukraine and the Middle East, record low bond yields and weak economic data in Europe, and lower Treasury issuance.

## Investment Strategy

We invest in a diversified mix of fixed income securities, primarily high yield corporate bonds, senior secured floating rate corporate loans, and mortgage- and other asset-backed securities. Our top-down analysis of macroeconomic trends combined with a bottom-up fundamental analysis of market sectors, industries and issuers drives our investment process. We seek to maintain a limited duration, or interest rate sensitivity, to moderate the impact that fluctuating interest rates might have on the Fund's fixed income portfolio. Within the corporate

bond and corporate loan sectors, we seek securities trading at reasonable valuations from issuers with characteristics such as strong market positions, stable cash flows, reasonable capital structures, supportive asset values, strong sponsorship and improving credit fundamentals. In the mortgage- and other asset-backed securities sector, we look to capture an attractive income stream and total return through our analysis of security prepayment assumptions, potential pricing inefficiencies and underlying collateral characteristics.

## Dividend Distributions\*

4/1/14 9/30/14

| <b>Month</b> | <b>Dividend per<br/>Common Share (cents)</b> |
|--------------|--|
| April        | 7.3  |
| May          | 7.3  |
| June         | 6.2 **                                       |
| July         | 6.2  |
| August       | 6.2  |
| September    | 6.2  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>39.4</b>                                  |

\*All Fund distributions will vary depending upon current market conditions, and past distributions are not indicative of future trends.

\*\*The decline in the distribution reflects a change in the tax treatment of certain security transactions.

## Manager's Discussion

The six-month period under review was characterized by volatility in financial markets and interest rates, as investors assessed signs of economic weakness across the globe and contemplated an eventual increase in U.S. short-term interest rates. The 10-year Treasury yield fluctuated but generally declined during the period, starting at 2.73% and ending at 2.52%.

Stock markets also experienced some volatility, with the Standard & Poor <sup>®</sup> 500 Index experiencing some dramatic declines during April, July and August but gaining a robust 6.42% for the six months ended September 30, 2014.<sup>2</sup> Fixed income markets generated more modest positive returns, with higher quality asset classes generally outperforming lower

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2. Source: Morningstar.

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quality asset classes. Mortgage-backed securities returned +2.59%, followed by leveraged loans at +1.12% and high yield corporate bonds at +0.42%, as measured by the Barclays U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS),<sup>2</sup> Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan (CS LLI)<sup>3</sup> and Credit Suisse (CS) High Yield<sup>3</sup> Indexes, respectively. Over the course of the period we increased our exposure to asset-backed securities and high yield corporate bonds, while reducing our exposure to leveraged loans and the MBS sector.

**High Yield Corporate Bonds**

Although credit fundamentals remained favorable, high yield corporate bonds generated a below-coupon +0.42% return for the semiannual period, as measured by the CS High Yield Index.<sup>3</sup> Much of the pressure on high yield returns came from technical factors, as large investor outflows in early August and again in mid-September caused a pronounced market downturn. As opposed to many historical periods of weakness, the recent period did not reflect concerns of an elevated default level. Although it is too soon to tell about September, the August outflows quickly reversed and the market soon rebounded. The September downturn was exacerbated by robust new issuance after the summer seasonal break, as well as by weakness in the energy sector, which has the highest industry weighting in the CS High Yield Index. During the period, bonds rated BB or above generated the best returns, while B-rated bonds performed in line with the CS High Yield Index and CCC-rated bonds generated negative returns. Overall, despite declining Treasury yields, the average yield of the CS High Yield Index increased 100 basis points (100 basis points equal one percentage point), as spreads widened from 4.1% to 4.9% above Treasuries,<sup>3</sup> and the average bond price declined from 104.5 to 100.9. Despite recent volatility, credit fundamentals remained broadly supportive for high yield bonds. Given cheaper valuations over the course of the period, we slightly increased our exposure to high yield corporate bonds.

**Floating Rate Corporate Loans**

The volume of collateralized loan obligations (CLOs) reached record levels during the period, providing support to loan prices amid weakened demand from loan mutual funds. Despite such weaker demand because of outflows, record CLO issuance partially offset slower retail demand. The technical environment contributed to demand for loans in the lower tier of the market, including lower rated and defaulted issuers, and resulted in a total return of +1.12% for the overall market, as measured by the CS LLI.<sup>3</sup> Although our underweighted allocation to lower tier loans detracted from relative performance, our loan selection within the upper tier of the market, including loans rated BB-/Ba3 or higher, contributed to returns compared to the index.

After months of record inflows into the asset class, loan mutual funds reported consistent outflows throughout the period. The negative flows occurred amid relatively low U.S. Treasury yields, possibly softening investor interest in the asset class as a potential hedge against rising interest rates. Moreover, volatile flows from the high yield bond market affected the loan market toward period-end as some crossover investors sold loans to meet redemptions or tactically shifted loan allocations toward bonds, in light of wider spreads in the high yield bond market.

As retail investors withdrew from the asset class, repricing and refinancing transactions in particular declined sharply, as fewer loans traded at significant premiums to par compared to previous periods. However, transactions related to mergers and acquisitions increased, expanding the loan market's total size. In response to the dampened demand and increased supply, loan arrangers widened new-issue spreads to compensate for lower secondary market prices.

3. Source: Credit Suisse Group.

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Although the default rate by number of issuers declined during the period, the default rate by amount increased sharply as an electrical utility that was one of the largest leveraged buyouts in loan market history filed for bankruptcy. Despite the rise in the headline default rate, investors continued to expect a relatively benign default environment for loan issuers as fundamental conditions remained strong.

**Mortgage-Backed and Asset-Backed Securities**

Mortgages outperformed Treasuries, and valuations in the MBS sector stayed healthy during the period. Concerns arose about the source of demand for agency MBS when the Fed ends its asset buying program. Banks, mortgage REITs, overseas investors and domestic money managers would need to absorb MBS issuance after the Fed completes its asset buying program, which we expected to be in October. The favorable near-term supply and demand balance could continue to drive spreads somewhat tighter, but we believed current spreads offered limited opportunities and continued to concentrate on security selection. As interest rates and mortgage rates moved higher and mortgage credit remained constrained, actual prepayment activity stayed relatively low.

We shifted our MBS allocation to lower coupons during the period. Our heaviest exposure was in coupons in the 3.0% to 4.5% range as we decreased exposure to higher coupons in the 5.0% to 5.5% range. Outside conventional MBS, the Fund remained allocated to higher quality securitized sectors with strong credit fundamentals and continued to invest in asset-backed securities and commercial-mortgage backed securities (CMBS). The Fund maintained strong exposure to CMBS, including securities lower in capital structure, but over the period we increased allocation in higher quality, super-senior securities that we felt offered an attractive opportunity. Credit fundamentals showed signs of stabilization, yet we expected the commercial real estate landscape to remain challenged over the intermediate term. The MBS sector delivered positive total returns and outperformed Treasuries as well as the high yield corporate bond and corporate loan sectors.

*The foregoing information reflects our analysis, opinions and portfolio holdings as of September 30, 2014, the end of the reporting period. The way we implement our main investment strategies and the resulting portfolio holdings may change depending on factors such as market and economic conditions. These opinions may not be relied upon as investment advice or an offer for a particular security. The information is not a complete analysis of every aspect of any market, country, industry, security or the Fund. Statements of fact are from sources considered reliable, but the investment manager makes no representation or warranty as to their completeness or accuracy. Although historical performance is no guarantee of future results, these insights may help you understand our investment management philosophy.*

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Thank you for your continued participation in Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust. We look forward to serving your future investment needs.

Sincerely,

Portfolio Management Team

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## Performance Summary as of September 30, 2014

Your dividend income will vary depending on dividends or interest paid by securities in the Fund's portfolio, adjusted for operating expenses. Capital gain distributions are net profits realized from the sale of portfolio securities. Total return reflects reinvestment of the Fund's dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, and any unrealized gains or losses. Total returns do not reflect any sales charges paid at inception or brokerage commissions paid on secondary market purchases. The performance table does not reflect any taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund dividends, capital gains distributions, if any, or any realized gains on the sale of Fund shares.

### Share Prices

| Symbol: FTF             |    | 9/30/14 |    | 3/31/14 | Change   |
|-------------------------|----|---------|----|---------|----------|
| Net Asset Value (NAV)   | \$ | 14.09   | \$ | 14.36   | -\$ 0.27 |
| Market Price (NYSE MKT) | \$ | 12.38   | \$ | 13.05   | -\$ 0.67 |

### Distributions

|                  | Dividend<br>Income |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 4/1/14 - 9/30/14 | \$ 0.3940          |

### Performance<sup>1</sup>

|         | Cumulative Total Return <sup>2</sup> |          |                           |   | Average Annual Total Return <sup>2</sup> |          |                           |  |
|---------|--------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---|--|----------|---------------------------|--|
|         | Based                                |          | Based on                  |   | Based                                    |          | Based on                  |  |
|         | on NAV <sup>3</sup>                  |          | market price <sup>4</sup> |   | on NAV <sup>3</sup>                      |          | market price <sup>4</sup> |  |
| 6-Month | +                                    | 0.85 %   | -2.20 %                   | + | 0.85 %                                   | -2.20 %  |                           |  |
| 1-Year  | +                                    | 6.18 %   | + 1.53 %                  | + | 6.18 %                                   | + 1.53 % |                           |  |
| 5-Year  | +                                    | 56.09 %  | + 51.47 %                 | + | 9.31 %                                   | + 8.66 % |                           |  |
| 10-Year | +                                    | 100.37 % | + 86.93 %                 | + | 7.20 %                                   | + 6.46 % |                           |  |

*Performance data represent past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may differ from figures shown.*

**All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Interest rate movements and mortgage prepayments will affect the Fund's share price and yield. Bond prices generally move in the opposite direction of interest rates. As prices of bonds in the Fund adjust to a rise in interest rates, the Fund's share price may decline. Investments in lower rated bonds include higher risk of default and loss of principal. The Fund is actively managed but there is no guarantee that the manager's investment decisions will produce the desired results.**

1. Figures are for common shares. As of 9/30/14, the Fund had leverage in the amount of 32.25% of the Fund's total portfolio. The Fund employs

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leverage through the issuance of Auction Preferred Shares and purchase of Mortgage Dollar Rolls. The use of financial leverage creates an opportunity for increased income but, at the same time, creates special risks (including the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value and market price of common shares). The cost of leverage rises and falls with changes in short-term interest rates. Such increases/decreases in the cost of the Fund's leverage may be offset by increased/decreased income from the Fund's floating rate investments.

2. Total return calculations represent the cumulative and average annual changes in value of an investment over the periods indicated. Six-month returns have not been annualized.

3. Assumes reinvestment of distributions based on net asset value.

4. Assumes reinvestment of distributions based on the dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan.

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## Annual Shareholders Meeting

**September 18, 2014**

At an annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Fund held on September 18, 2014, shareholders approved the election of the following persons as Trustees of the Fund.

The results of the voting are as follows:

| <b>Trustees</b>   | <b>Common &amp;<br/>Preferred<br/>Shares For</b> | <b>% of<br/>Outstanding<br/>Shares</b> | <b>% of<br/>Voted</b> | <b>Withheld or<br/>Abstain</b> | <b>% of<br/>Outstanding<br/>Shares</b> | <b>% of<br/>Voted</b> |
|-------------------|--|--|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Sam Ginn          | 23,595,361.59                                    | 87.91 %                                | 97.54 %               | 594,627.00                     | 2.22 %                                 | 2.46 %                |
| Larry D. Thompson | 23,659,453.58                                    | 88.15 %                                | 97.81 %               | 530,535.00                     | 1.98 %                                 | 2.19 %                |

  

| <b>Trustee</b>         | <b>Preferred<br/>Shares For</b> | <b>% of<br/>Outstanding<br/>Shares</b> | <b>% of<br/>Voted</b> | <b>Withheld or<br/>Abstain</b> | <b>% of<br/>Outstanding<br/>Shares</b> | <b>% of<br/>Voted</b> |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Rupert H. Johnson, Jr. | 2,594.00                        | 72.06 %                                | 98.26 %               | 46.00                          | 1.28 %                                 | 1.74 %                |

Note: Harris J. Ashton, Edith E. Holiday, Gregory E. Johnson, J. Michael Luttig, Frank A. Olson and John B. Wilson are Trustees of the Fund who are currently serving and whose terms of office continued after the meeting.

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## Dividend Reinvestment Plan

The Fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (Plan) offers you a prompt and simple way to reinvest dividends and capital gain distributions (Distributions) in shares of the Fund. BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US) Inc. (Agent), P.O. Box 43006, Providence, RI 02940-3006, will act as your Agent in administering the Plan. The Agent will open an account for you under the Plan in the same name as your outstanding shares are registered. The complete Terms and Conditions of the Dividend Reinvestment Plan are contained in the Fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan Brochure. Participants may contact the Agent at the address above to obtain a copy of the Brochure.

You are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless you elect to receive Distributions in cash. If you own shares in your own name, you should notify the Agent, in writing, if you wish to receive Distributions in cash.

If the Fund declares a Distribution, you, as a participant in the Plan, will automatically receive an equivalent amount of shares of the Fund purchased on your behalf by the Agent.

If on the payment date for a Distribution, the net asset value per share is equal to or less than the market price per share plus estimated brokerage commissions, the Agent shall receive newly issued shares, including fractions, from the Fund for your account. The number of additional shares to be credited shall be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the Distribution by the greater of the net asset value per share on the payment date, or 95% of the then current market price per share.

If the net asset value per share exceeds the market price plus estimated brokerage commissions on the payment date for a Distribution, the Agent (or a broker-dealer selected by the Agent) shall try, for a purchase period of 30 days, to apply the amount of such Distribution on your shares (less your pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred) to purchase shares on the open market. The weighted average price (including brokerage commissions) of all shares it purchases shall be your allocated price per share. If, before the Agent has completed its purchases, the market price plus estimated brokerage commissions exceeds the net asset value of the shares as of the payment date, the purchase price the Agent paid may exceed the net asset value of the shares, resulting in the acquisition of fewer shares than if such Distribution had been paid in shares issued by the Fund. Participants should note that they will not

be able to instruct the Agent to purchase shares at a specific time or at a specific price. The Agent may make open-market purchases on any securities exchange where shares are traded, in the over-the-counter market or in negotiated transactions, and may be on such terms as to price, delivery and otherwise as the Agent shall determine.

The market price of shares on a particular date shall be the last sales price on NYSE MKT, or, if there is no sale on the exchange on that date, then the mean between the closing bid and asked quotations on the exchange on such date. The net asset value per share on a particular date shall be the amount most recently calculated by or on behalf of the Fund as required by law.

The Agent shall at all times act in good faith and agree to use its best efforts within reasonable limits to ensure the accuracy of all services performed under this agreement and to comply with applicable law, but assumes no responsibility and shall not be liable for loss or damage due to errors unless such error is caused by the Agent's negligence, bad faith, or willful misconduct or that of its employees. Your uninvested funds held by the Agent will not bear interest. The Agent shall have no responsibility for the value of shares acquired. For the purpose of cash investments, the Agent may commingle your funds with those of other participants in the same Fund.

There is no direct charge to participants for reinvesting Distributions, since the Agent's fees are paid by the Fund. However, when shares are purchased in the open market, each participant will pay a pro rata portion of any brokerage commissions incurred. If you elect by notice to the Agent to have it sell part or all of your shares and remit the proceeds, the Agent will deduct brokerage commissions from the proceeds.

The automatic reinvestment of Distributions does not relieve you of any taxes that may be payable on Distributions. In connection with the reinvestment of Distributions, shareholders generally will be treated as having received a Distribution equal to the cash Distribution that would have been paid.

The Agent will forward to you any proxy solicitation material and will vote any shares so held for you first in accordance with the instructions set forth on proxies you return to the Fund, and then with respect to any proxies you do not return to the Fund in the same portion as the Agent votes proxies the participants return to the Fund.



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DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN

As long as you participate in the Plan, the Agent will hold the shares it has acquired for you in safekeeping, in its name or in the name of its nominee. This convenience provides added protection against loss, theft or inadvertent destruction of certificates. However, you may request that a certificate representing your Plan shares be issued to you. Upon your written request, the Agent will deliver to you, without charge, a certificate or certificates for the full shares. The Agent will send you a confirmation of each acquisition made for your account as soon as practicable, but not later than 60 days after the acquisition date. Although from time to time you may have an undivided fractional interest in a share of the Fund, no certificates for a fractional share will be issued. Distributions on fractional shares will be credited to your account. If you terminate your account under the Plan, the Agent will adjust for any such undivided fractional interest in cash at the market value of shares at the time of termination.

You may withdraw from the Plan at any time, without penalty, by notifying the Agent in writing at the address above or by telephone at (866) 340-2909. Such termination will be effective with respect to a Distribution if the Agent receives your notice prior to the Distribution record date. The Agent or the Fund may terminate the Plan upon notice to you in writing mailed at least 30 days prior to any record date for the payment of any Distribution. Upon any termination, the Agent will issue, without charge, stock certificates for all full shares you own and will convert any fractional shares you hold at the time of termination to cash at current market price and send you a check for the proceeds.

The Fund or the Agent may amend the Plan. You will receive written notice at least 30 days before the effective date of any amendment.

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**Financial Highlights**

|   | <b>Six Months<br/>Ended<br/>September 30,<br/>2014</b> |                       | <b>Year Ended March 31,</b> |             |             |                     |
|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | <b>(unaudited)</b>                                     | <b>2014</b>           | <b>2013</b>                 | <b>2012</b> | <b>2011</b> | <b>2010</b>         |
| <b>Per common share operating performance</b>                                 |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
| (for a common share outstanding throughout the period)                        |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
| Net asset value, beginning of period  | \$ 14.36   | \$ 14.30              | \$ 13.82                    | \$ 14.01    | \$ 13.48    | \$ 10.15            |
| Income from investment operations:  |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
| Net investment income <sup>a</sup>  | 0.36   | 0.80                  | 0.90                        | 0.92        | 0.98        | 0.93                |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)                                    | (0.21 )  | 0.20                  | 0.62                        | (0.04 )     | 0.65        | 3.40                |
| Dividends to preferred shareholders from net investment income                | (0.03 )  | (0.06 )               | (0.05 )                     | (0.05 )     | (0.05 )     | (0.05 )             |
| Total from investment operations  | 0.12   | 0.94                  | 1.47                        | 0.83        | 1.58        | 4.28                |
| Less distributions to common shareholders from net investment income          | (0.39 )  | (0.88 )               | (0.99 )                     | (1.02 )     | (1.05 )     | (0.95 )             |
| Net asset value, end of period  | \$ 14.09   | \$ 14.36              | \$ 14.30                    | \$ 13.82    | \$ 14.01    | \$ 13.48            |
| Market value, end of period <sup>b</sup>                                      | \$ 12.38   | \$ 13.05              | \$ 14.82                    | \$ 14.01    | \$ 13.14    | \$ 13.40            |
| Total return (based on market value per share) <sup>c</sup>                   | (2.20 )%   | (5.85 )%              | 13.41 %                     | 15.03 %     | 6.25 %      | 63.14 %             |
| <b>Ratios to average net assets applicable to common shares<sup>d,e</sup></b> |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
| Expenses  | 1.12 % <sup>f,g</sup>                                  | 1.12 % <sup>f,g</sup> | 1.13 %                      | 1.15 %      | 1.14 %      | 1.15 % <sup>f</sup> |
| Net investment income   | 5.02 %   | 5.65 %                | 6.44 %                      | 6.73 %      | 7.15 %      | 7.47 %              |
| <b>Supplemental data</b>  |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
| Net assets applicable to common shares, end of period (000's)                 |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
|   | \$ 378,103   | \$ 385,388            | \$ 383,632                  | \$ 370,095  | \$ 375,016  | \$ 360,798          |
| Portfolio turnover rate   | 154.14 %   | 318.57 %              | 295.39 %                    | 302.18 %    | 262.57 %    | 220.09 %            |
| Portfolio turnover rate excluding mortgage                                    |  |                       |                             |             |             |                     |
| dollar rollsh   | 56.32 %  | 137.85 %              | 106.42 %                    | 106.49 %    | 115.51 %    | 66.07 %             |
| Asset coverage per preferred share  | \$ 77,518  | \$ 78,686             | \$ 79,157                   | \$ 77,796   | \$ 76,096   | \$ 78,092           |
|   | \$ 25,000  | \$ 25,000             | \$ 25,000                   | \$ 25,000   | \$ 25,000   | \$ 25,000           |

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Liquidation preference per preferred share

<sup>a</sup>Based on average daily common shares outstanding.

<sup>b</sup>Based on the last sale on NYSE Amex.

<sup>c</sup>Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

<sup>d</sup>Based on income and expenses applicable to both common and preferred shares.

<sup>e</sup>Ratios are annualized for periods less than one year.

<sup>f</sup>Benefit of expense reduction rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>g</sup>Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

<sup>h</sup>See Note 1(f) regarding mortgage dollar rolls.

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## FRANKLIN LIMITED DURATION INCOME TRUST

**Statement of Investments, September 30, 2014 (unaudited)**

|  | Country        | Shares    |                              | Value      |
|--|----------------|-----------|------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Common Stocks 0.1%</b>  |                |           |                              |            |
| <b>Materials 0.1%</b>  |                |           |                              |            |
| NewPage Holdings Inc.  | United States  | 3,000     | \$                           | 277,500    |
| <b>Transportation 0.0%†</b>  |                |           |                              |            |
| aCEVA Holdings LLC   | United Kingdom | 112       |                              | 123,354    |
| <b>Total Common Stocks (Cost \$728,298)</b>  |                |           |                              | 400,854    |
| <b>Convertible Preferred Stocks 0.1%</b>   |                |           |                              |            |
| <b>Transportation 0.1%</b>   |                |           |                              |            |
| aCEVA Holdings LLC, cvt. pfd., A-1   | United Kingdom | 6         |                              | 9,300      |
| aCEVA Holdings LLC, cvt. pfd., A-2   | United Kingdom | 243       |                              | 267,025    |
| <b>Total Convertible Preferred Stocks<br/>(Cost \$369,948)</b>                               |                |           |                              | 276,325    |
|  |                |           | <b>Principal<br/>Amount*</b> |            |
| <b>Corporate Bonds 48.9%</b>   |                |           |                              |            |
| <b>Automobiles &amp; Components 0.4%</b>   |                |           |                              |            |
| The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., senior note, 6.50%, 3/01/21                                  | United States  | 1,300,000 |                              | 1,358,500  |
| <b>Banks 3.3%</b>  |                |           |                              |            |
| bBank of America Corp., junior sub. bond, M, 8.125% to 5/15/18,<br>FRN thereafter, Perpetual | United States  | 3,000,000 |                              | 3,262,779  |
| CIT Group Inc.,<br>4.25%, 8/15/17  | United States  | 1,500,000 |                              | 1,518,750  |
| senior note, 5.00%, 5/15/17  | United States  | 1,200,000 |                              | 1,233,000  |
| csenior note, 144A, 6.625%, 4/01/18  | United States  | 500,000   |                              | 538,125    |
| bCitigroup Inc., junior sub. bond, M, 6.30% to 5/15/24, FRN thereafter,<br>Perpetual         | United States  | 1,300,000 |                              | 1,292,398  |
| bJPMorgan Chase & Co., junior sub. bond,<br>6.00% to 8/01/23, FRN thereafter, Perpetual      | United States  | 1,500,000 |                              | 1,483,125  |
| V, 5.00% to 7/30/19, FRN thereafter, Perpetual   | United States  | 500,000   |                              | 489,305    |
| Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, sub. note, 6.125%,<br>12/15/22                             | United Kingdom | 1,000,000 |                              | 1,063,125  |
| The Royal Bank of Scotland PLC, sub. note, 6.934%, 4/09/18                                   | United Kingdom | 1,100,000 | EUR                          | 1,598,437  |
|  |                |           |                              | 12,479,044 |
| <b>Capital Goods 0.2%</b>  |                |           |                              |            |

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|---|---------------|---------|---------|
| c,dAECOM Technology Corp., senior note, 144A, 5.75%, 10/15/22 | United States | 400,000 | 405,000 |
| cTransDigm Inc., senior sub. note, 144A, 6.00%, 7/15/22       | United States | 500,000 | 494,375 |
|   |               |         | 899,375 |

**Consumer Durables & Apparel 1.3%**

|   |               |           |           |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| KB Home, senior note,<br>4.75%, 5/15/19   | United States | 1,100,000 | 1,072,500 |
| 7.00%, 12/15/21   | United States | 1,100,000 | 1,149,500 |
| cTaylor Morrison Communities Inc./Monarch Communities Inc.,<br>senior note, 144A,<br>7.75%, 4/15/20 | United States | 722,000   | 776,150   |
| 5.25%, 4/15/21  | United States | 500,000   | 490,000   |
| Visant Corp., senior note, 10.00%, 10/01/17   | United States | 1,400,000 | 1,256,500 |
|   |               |           | 4,744,650 |

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|   | Country       | Principal Amount* | Value     |
|---|---------------|-------------------|-----------|
| <b>Corporate Bonds (continued)</b>  |               |                   |           |
| <b>Consumer Services 2.1%</b>   |               |                   |           |
| c,d1011778 BC ULC/New Red Finance Inc., secured note, second lien, 144A, 6.00%, 4/01/22       | Canada        | 1,200,000 \$      | 1,198,500 |
| c24 Hour Holdings III LLC, senior note, 144A, 8.00%, 6/01/22                                  | United States | 900,000           | 837,000   |
| Caesars Entertainment Operating Co. Inc., senior secured note, 11.25%, 6/01/17                | United States | 2,500,000         | 1,940,625 |
| cLandry s Inc., senior note, 144A, 9.375%, 5/01/20  | United States | 900,000           | 956,250   |
| MGM Resorts International, senior note, 8.625%, 2/01/19                                       | United States | 2,500,000         | 2,831,500 |
|   |               |                   | 7,763,875 |
| <b>Diversified Financials 2.5%</b>  |               |                   |           |
| cAerCap Ireland Capital Ltd./AerCap Global Aviation Trust, senior note, 144A, 5.00%, 10/01/21 | Netherlands   | 600,000           | 596,250   |
| Ally Financial Inc., senior note, 6.25%, 12/01/17   | United States | 2,000,000         | 2,150,000 |
| 4.75%, 9/10/18  | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,027,500 |
| cAnna Merger Sub Inc., senior note, 144A, 7.75%, 10/01/22                                     | United States | 700,000           | 705,250   |
| E*TRADE Financial Corp., senior note, 6.375%, 11/15/19  | United States | 800,000           | 844,000   |
| cNuveen Investments Inc., senior note, 144A, 9.125%, 10/15/17                                 | United States | 1,500,000         | 1,612,500 |
| SLM Corp., senior note, 8.45%, 6/15/18  | United States | 1,400,000         | 1,578,500 |
| 5.50%, 1/15/19  | United States | 1,100,000         | 1,124,750 |
|   |               |                   | 9,638,750 |
| <b>Energy 11.3%</b>   |               |                   |           |
| BreitBurn Energy Partners LP/BreitBurn Finance Corp., senior bond, 7.875%, 4/15/22            | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,017,500 |
| c,dCalifornia Resources Corp., senior note, 144A, 5.50%, 9/15/21                              | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,016,250 |
| cCGG SA, senior note, 144A, 6.875%, 1/15/22   | France        | 1,200,000         | 1,071,000 |
| CHC Helicopter SA, senior secured note, first lien, 9.25%, 10/15/20                           | Canada        | 1,800,000         | 1,918,125 |
| Chesapeake Energy Corp., senior note, 6.625%, 8/15/20   | United States | 2,500,000         | 2,770,000 |
| 6.125%, 2/15/21   | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,092,500 |
| Clayton Williams Energy Inc., senior note, 7.75%, 4/01/19                                     | United States | 1,500,000         | 1,548,750 |

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|   |                |           |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| cCompressco Partners LP/Finance Corp., senior note, 144A, 7.25%,<br>8/15/22 | United States  | 400,000   | 402,000   |
| cCONSOL Energy Inc., senior note, 144A, 5.875%, 4/15/22                     | United States  | 1,100,000 | 1,087,625 |
| cDrill Rigs Holdings Inc., secured note, 144A, 6.50%, 10/01/17              | United States  | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 |
| Energy Transfer Equity LP, senior note, 7.50%, 10/15/20                     | United States  | 2,500,000 | 2,806,250 |
| Energy XXI Gulf Coast Inc., senior note,<br>7.50%, 12/15/21                 | United States  | 600,000   | 591,000   |
| c144A, 6.875%, 3/15/24  | United States  | 300,000   | 282,750   |
| cEnQuest PLC, senior note, 144A, 7.00%, 4/15/22                             | United Kingdom | 700,000   | 662,375   |
| EPL Oil & Gas Inc., senior note, 8.25%, 2/15/18                             | United States  | 1,000,000 | 1,027,500 |
| Halcon Resources Corp., senior note,<br>9.75%, 7/15/20                      | United States  | 100,000   | 102,250   |
| 8.875%, 5/15/21   | United States  | 1,500,000 | 1,485,000 |
| 9.25%, 2/15/22  | United States  | 500,000   | 496,250   |
| cKinder Morgan Inc., senior secured note, 144A, 5.00%, 2/15/21              | United States  | 600,000   | 628,500   |
| Kodiak Oil & Gas Corp., senior note,<br>8.125%, 12/01/19                    | United States  | 900,000   | 969,750   |
| 5.50%, 1/15/21  | United States  | 300,000   | 304,500   |

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|   | Country       | Principal<br>Amount* | Value      |
|---|---------------|----------------------|------------|
| <b>Corporate Bonds</b> (continued)  |               |                      |            |
| <b>Energy</b> (continued)   |               |                      |            |
| Linn Energy LLC/Finance Corp., senior note,<br>8.625%, 4/15/20  | United States | 1,500,000 \$         | 1,558,125  |
| 7.75%, 2/01/21  | United States | 1,000,000            | 1,012,500  |
| Martin Midstream Partners LP/Martin Midstream Finance Corp.,<br>senior note, 7.25%, 2/15/21                 | United States | 1,400,000            | 1,403,500  |
| cMemorial Resource Development Corp., senior note, 144A, 5.875%,<br>7/01/22                                 | United States | 600,000              | 588,000    |
| Midstates Petroleum Co. Inc./LLC, senior note, 9.25%, 6/01/21   | United States | 1,000,000            | 1,002,500  |
| cOcean Rig UDW Inc., senior note, 144A, 7.25%, 4/01/19  | United States | 600,000              | 548,625    |
| Offshore Group Investment Ltd.,<br>senior bond, first lien, 7.125%, 4/01/23                                 | United States | 600,000              | 531,750    |
| senior secured note, first lien, 7.50%, 11/01/19  | United States | 1,000,000            | 932,500    |
| Peabody Energy Corp., senior note, 6.00%, 11/15/18  | United States | 2,500,000            | 2,462,500  |
| Penn Virginia Resource Partners LP/Penn Virginia Resource<br>Finance Corp., senior note,<br>8.375%, 6/01/20 | United States | 502,000              | 549,690    |
| 6.50%, 5/15/21  | United States | 300,000              | 315,750    |
| QR Energy LP/QRE Finance Corp. LLC, senior note, 9.25%,<br>8/01/20  | United States | 1,400,000            | 1,596,000  |
| Quicksilver Resources Inc., senior note, 9.125%, 8/15/19  | United States | 1,000,000            | 630,000    |
| Regency Energy Partners LP/Regency Energy Finance Corp.,<br>senior note,<br>5.875%, 3/01/22                 | United States | 200,000              | 209,500    |
| 5.00%, 10/01/22   | United States | 300,000              | 296,625    |
| Sabine Pass Liquefaction LLC, first lien, 5.625%, 2/01/21   | United States | 2,000,000            | 2,065,000  |
| Samson Investment Co., senior note, 9.75%, 2/15/20  | United States | 1,500,000            | 1,368,750  |
| Sanchez Energy Corp., senior note,<br>7.75%, 6/15/21  | United States | 1,000,000            | 1,075,000  |
| c144A, 6.125%, 1/15/23  | United States | 300,000              | 298,170    |
| cTriangle USA Petroleum Corp., senior note, 144A, 6.75%, 7/15/22  | United States | 300,000              | 294,375    |
| cUltra Petroleum Corp., senior bond, 144A, 6.125%, 10/01/24   | United States | 1,200,000            | 1,152,000  |
|   |               |                      | 42,670,735 |

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**Food, Beverage & Tobacco 1.6%**

|  |               |           |           |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Del Monte Corp., senior note, 7.625%, 2/15/19                  | United States | 1,380,000 | 1,371,375 |
| cDole Food Co. Inc., senior secured note, 144A, 7.25%, 5/01/19 | United States | 1,000,000 | 993,750   |
| cJBS USA LLC/Finance Inc., senior note, 144A, 8.25%, 2/01/20   | United States | 1,900,000 | 2,033,000 |
| Post Holdings Inc., senior note,<br>7.375%, 2/15/22            | United States | 1,000,000 | 992,500   |
| c144A, 6.75%, 12/01/21   | United States | 600,000   | 570,000   |
| c144A, 6.00%, 12/15/22   | United States | 100,000   | 92,000    |
|  |               |           | 6,052,625 |

**Health Care Equipment & Services 2.9%**

|  |               |           |           |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Alere Inc.,<br>senior note, 7.25%, 7/01/18   | United States | 1,300,000 | 1,368,250 |
| senior sub. note, 6.50%, 6/15/20   | United States | 200,000   | 200,500   |
| Aviv Healthcare Properties LP/Aviv Healthcare Capital Corp., senior<br>note, 6.00%, 10/15/21 | United States | 400,000   | 414,500   |
| CHS/Community Health Systems Inc.,<br>senior note, 8.00%, 11/15/19                           | United States | 1,100,000 | 1,177,220 |
| senior note, 7.125%, 7/15/20   | United States | 400,000   | 424,000   |
| csenior note, 144A, 6.875%, 2/01/22  | United States | 100,000   | 104,750   |
| senior secured note, 5.125%, 8/15/18   | United States | 900,000   | 927,000   |

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|   | Country       | Principal Amount* | Value      |
|---|---------------|-------------------|------------|
| <b>Corporate Bonds</b> (continued)  |               |                   |            |
| <b>Health Care Equipment &amp; Services</b> (continued)   |               |                   |            |
| DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., senior bond, 5.125%, 7/15/24<br>HCA Inc.,<br>senior note, 7.50%, 2/15/22 | United States | 700,000 \$        | 689,062    |
| senior note, 5.875%, 5/01/23  | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,127,500  |
| senior note, 5.875%, 5/01/23  | United States | 1,500,000         | 1,537,500  |
| senior secured note, 5.875%, 3/15/22  | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,053,750  |
| Tenet Healthcare Corp.,<br>first lien, 6.00%, 10/01/20  | United States | 500,000           | 530,000    |
| c senior note, 144A, 5.00%, 3/01/19   | United States | 500,000           | 495,000    |
| c senior note, 144A, 5.50%, 3/01/19   | United States | 900,000           | 906,750    |
|   |               |                   | 10,955,782 |
| <b>Materials 6.2%</b>   |               |                   |            |
| ArcelorMittal, senior note, 5.00%, 2/25/17  | Luxembourg    | 3,000,000         | 3,106,875  |
| cArdagh Packaging Finance PLC, senior note, 144A, 9.125%,<br>10/15/20                                     | Luxembourg    | 700,000           | 762,125    |
| cArdagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh MP Holdings USA Inc.,<br>senior note, 144A, 6.25%, 1/31/19           | Luxembourg    | 300,000           | 297,750    |
| senior note, 144A, 7.00%, 11/15/20  | Luxembourg    | 88,235            | 88,346     |
| es senior secured note, 144A, FRN, 3.234%, 12/15/19   | Luxembourg    | 700,000           | 679,875    |
| cBarmingo Finance Pty. Ltd., senior note, 144A, 9.00%, 6/01/18  | Australia     | 1,000,000         | 870,625    |
| c,fCemex SAB de CV,<br>secured note, 144A, 5.875%, 3/25/19  | Mexico        | 500,000           | 505,938    |
| senior secured note, 144A, 9.00%, 1/11/18   | Mexico        | 2,000,000         | 2,120,000  |
| cConstellium NV, senior note, 144A, 5.75%, 5/15/24  | Netherlands   | 1,500,000         | 1,507,500  |
| cEldorado Gold Corp., senior note, 144A, 6.125%, 12/15/20   | Canada        | 1,500,000         | 1,496,250  |
| cFirst Quantum Minerals Ltd., senior note, 144A,<br>6.75%, 2/15/20  | Canada        | 1,261,000         | 1,289,372  |
| 7.00%, 2/15/21  | Canada        | 1,261,000         | 1,284,644  |
| cFMG Resources (August 2006) Pty. Ltd., senior note, 144A,<br>6.875%, 2/01/18                             | Australia     | 1,500,000         | 1,545,000  |
| 8.25%, 11/01/19   | Australia     | 1,000,000         | 1,037,500  |
| cneos Group Holdings SA, senior note, 144A,<br>6.50%, 8/15/18   | Switzerland   | 600,000 EUR       | 778,104    |
| 5.875%, 2/15/19   | Switzerland   | 600,000           | 597,750    |

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| Novelis Inc., senior note, 8.375%, 12/15/17                                 | Canada        | 500,000   | 520,625    |
| cPolymer Group Inc., senior note, 144A, 6.875%, 6/01/19                     | United States | 400,000   | 399,500    |
| cRain CII Carbon LLC/CII Carbon Corp., second lien, 144A, 8.25%,<br>1/15/21 | United States | 600,000   | 627,000    |
| Reynolds Group Issuer Inc./LLC/SA,<br>senior note, 8.50%, 5/15/18           | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,036,250  |
| senior note, 9.00%, 4/15/19   | United States | 100,000   | 104,625    |
| senior note, 8.25%, 2/15/21   | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,062,500  |
| senior secured note, 7.125%, 4/15/19  | United States | 500,000   | 519,375    |
| cSteel Dynamics Inc., senior note, 144A, 5.125%, 10/01/21                   | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,015,000  |
|   |               |           | 23,252,529 |
| <b>Media 4.8%</b>   |               |           |            |
| Cablevision Systems Corp., senior note, 8.625%, 9/15/17                     | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,113,750  |
| CCO Holdings LLC/CCO Holdings Capital Corp., senior bond,<br>5.25%, 9/30/22 | United States | 900,000   | 884,250    |
| Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings Inc.,<br>senior note, 6.50%, 11/15/22      | United States | 700,000   | 719,250    |
| senior sub. note, 7.625%, 3/15/20   | United States | 800,000   | 834,000    |

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|   | Country        | Principal Amount* | Value        |
|---|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>Corporate Bonds</b> (continued)  |                |                   |              |
| <b>Media</b> (continued)  |                |                   |              |
| CSC Holdings LLC, senior note, 6.75%, 11/15/21  | United States  | 1,500,000         | \$ 1,603,425 |
| DISH DBS Corp., senior note, 7.125%, 2/01/16  | United States  | 2,000,000         | 2,125,000    |
| Gannett Co. Inc., senior note,<br>5.125%, 7/15/20   | United States  | 800,000           | 806,000      |
| c144A, 5.125%, 10/15/19   | United States  | 1,200,000         | 1,215,000    |
| iHeartCommunications Inc., senior secured bond, first lien, 9.00%,<br>3/01/21               | United States  | 1,900,000         | 1,897,625    |
| cRadio One Inc., senior sub. note, 144A, 9.25%, 2/15/20                                     | United States  | 400,000           | 401,000      |
| cSirius XM Radio Inc., senior bond, 144A, 6.00%, 7/15/24                                    | United States  | 1,000,000         | 1,017,500    |
| cUnivision Communications Inc.,<br>senior secured bond, 144A, 6.75%, 9/15/22                | United States  | 472,000           | 507,400      |
| senior secured note, 144A, 6.875%, 5/15/19  | United States  | 500,000           | 522,500      |
| senior secured note, 144A, 5.125%, 5/15/23  | United States  | 1,000,000         | 1,017,500    |
| cUPCB Finance II Ltd., senior secured note, 144A, 6.375%,<br>7/01/20                        | Netherlands    | 1,100,000 EUR     | 1,466,276    |
| cVirgin Media Secured Finance PLC, senior secured bond, first lien,<br>144A, 5.50%, 1/15/25 | United Kingdom | 1,100,000         | 1,100,688    |
| cWMG Acquisition Corp., senior note, 144A, 5.625%, 4/15/22                                  | United States  | 1,000,000         | 1,002,500    |
|   |                |                   | 18,233,664   |
| <b>Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology &amp; Life Sciences 1.9%</b>                              |                |                   |              |
| cGrifols Worldwide Operations Ltd., senior note, 144A, 5.25%,<br>4/01/22                    | United States  | 600,000           | 594,000      |
| c.gJaguar Holding Co. I, senior note, 144A, PIK, 9.375%, 10/15/17                           | United States  | 1,300,000         | 1,316,250    |
| cJaguar Holding Co. II/Merger Sub Inc., senior note, 144A, 9.50%,<br>12/01/19               | United States  | 500,000           | 538,125      |
| Par Pharmaceutical Cos. Inc., senior note, 7.375%, 10/15/20                                 | United States  | 1,900,000         | 1,990,250    |
| cValeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc., senior note, 144A,<br>6.75%, 8/15/18           | United States  | 700,000           | 740,250      |
| 5.625%, 12/01/21  | United States  | 500,000           | 499,375      |
| cVPI Escrow Corp., senior note, 144A, 6.375%, 10/15/20                                      | United States  | 1,500,000         | 1,546,875    |
|   |                |                   | 7,225,125    |
| <b>Retailing 0.4%</b>   |                |                   |              |
| cNew Look Bondco I PLC, 144A, 8.75%, 5/14/18  | United Kingdom | 900,000 GBP       | 1,527,722    |

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### Software & Services 1.8%

|  |               |           |           |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| cBMC Software Finance Inc., senior note, 144A, 8.125%, 7/15/21 | United States | 1,500,000 | 1,447,500 |
| Equinix Inc., senior note, 4.875%, 4/01/20                     | United States | 1,500,000 | 1,492,500 |
| cFirst Data Corp., senior secured bond, 144A, 8.25%, 1/15/21   | United States | 3,000,000 | 3,195,000 |
| Sterling International Inc., senior note, 11.00%, 10/01/19     | United States | 700,000   | 749,000   |
|  |               |           | 6,884,000 |

### Technology Hardware & Equipment 0.7%

|   |               |           |           |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| cAlcatel-Lucent USA Inc., senior note, 144A,<br>4.625%, 7/01/17 | France        | 700,000   | 708,750   |
| 6.75%, 11/15/20   | France        | 1,300,000 | 1,329,250 |
| cBlackboard Inc., senior note, 144A, 7.75%, 11/15/19            | United States | 800,000   | 796,000   |
|   |               |           | 2,834,000 |

### Telecommunication Services 4.8%

|  |               |           |           |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| CenturyLink Inc., senior bond, 6.75%, 12/01/23         | United States | 300,000   | 322,125   |
| cDigicel Group Ltd., senior note, 144A, 8.25%, 9/30/20 | Bermuda       | 1,200,000 | 1,237,500 |
| cDigicel Ltd., senior note, 144A, 6.00%, 4/15/21       | Bermuda       | 700,000   | 694,750   |

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| <b>Corporate Bonds</b> (continued)  |               |                   |            |
| <b>Telecommunication Services</b> (continued)   |               |                   |            |
| ceAccess Ltd., senior note, 144A, 8.25%, 4/01/18                                      | Japan         | 1,200,000 \$      | 1,281,750  |
| Frontier Communications Corp., senior note, 8.125%, 10/01/18                          | United States | 2,000,000         | 2,245,000  |
| Intelsat Jackson Holdings SA, senior note, 7.25%,<br>4/01/19                          | Luxembourg    | 2,000,000         | 2,107,500  |
| 10/15/20  | Luxembourg    | 1,000,000         | 1,057,500  |
| cMillicom International Cellular SA, senior note, 144A, 6.625%,<br>10/15/21           | Luxembourg    | 1,000,000         | 1,042,500  |
| cSprint Corp.,<br>senior bond, 144A, 7.125%, 6/15/24                                  | United States | 300,000           | 303,375    |
| senior note, 144A, 7.25%, 9/15/21   | United States | 500,000           | 521,875    |
| Sprint Nextel Corp., senior note,<br>8.375%, 8/15/17                                  | United States | 500,000           | 560,625    |
| c144A, 9.00%, 11/15/18  | United States | 1,500,000         | 1,738,125  |
| c144A, 7.00%, 3/01/20   | United States | 600,000           | 660,750    |
| T-Mobile USA Inc.,<br>senior bond, 6.375%, 3/01/25                                    | United States | 700,000           | 700,000    |
| senior note, 6.542%, 4/28/20  | United States | 900,000           | 925,875    |
| senior note, 6.125%, 1/15/22  | United States | 300,000           | 302,625    |
| cWind Acquisition Finance SA,<br>senior note, 144A, 7.375%, 4/23/21                   | Italy         | 2,000,000         | 2,012,500  |
| senior secured note, 144A, 4.75%, 7/15/20   | Italy         | 500,000           | 480,312    |
|   |               |                   | 18,194,687 |
| <b>Transportation 1.1%</b>  |               |                   |            |
| cFlorida East Coast Holdings Corp., secured note, first lien, 144A,<br>6.75%, 5/01/19 | United States | 700,000           | 717,500    |
| Hertz Corp., senior note,<br>6.75%, 4/15/19   | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,037,500  |
| 5.875%, 10/15/20  | United States | 1,000,000         | 1,020,000  |
| cStena AB, senior bond, 144A, 7.00%, 2/01/24  | Sweden        | 600,000           | 625,500    |
| cStena International SA, secured bond, 144A, 5.75%, 3/01/24                           | Sweden        | 700,000           | 702,625    |
|   |               |                   | 4,103,125  |
| <b>Utilities 1.6%</b>   |               |                   |            |
| Calpine Corp.,  |               |                   |            |

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| senior note, 5.375%, 1/15/23  | United States | 1,500,000 | 1,456,875          |
| csenior secured note, 144A, 7.875%, 1/15/23   | United States | 406,000   | 445,585            |
| csenior secured note, first lien, 144A, 6.00%, 1/15/22  | United States | 100,000   | 105,750            |
| clnterGen NV, secured bond, 144A, 7.00%, 6/30/23  | Netherlands   | 1,500,000 | 1,441,875          |
| cNGL Energy Partners LP/NGL Energy Finance Corp., senior note, 144A, 5.125%, 7/15/19  | United States | 300,000   | 295,125            |
| cNRG Yield Operating LLC, senior bond, 144A, 5.375%, 8/15/24  | United States | 700,000   | 705,250            |
| chTexas Competitive Electric Holdings Co. LLC/Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Finance Inc., senior secured note, 144A, 11.50%, 10/01/20 | United States | 2,000,000 | 1,685,000          |
|   |               |           | 6,135,460          |
| <b>Total Corporate Bonds (Cost \$181,153,232)</b>   |               |           | <b>184,953,648</b> |
| <b>Senior Floating Rate Interests 50.1%</b>   |               |           |                    |
| <b>Automobiles &amp; Components 2.0%</b>  |               |           |                    |
| August LuxUK Holding Co., Lux Term B-2 Loan, (Schrader), 5.00%, 4/27/18   | Luxembourg    | 488,702   | 488,702            |
| August U.S. Holding Co. Inc., U.S. Term B-2 Loan, (Schrader), 5.00%, 4/27/18  | United States | 504,308   | 504,308            |

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| <b>Senior Floating Rate Interests</b> (continued)   |               |                      |            |
| <b>Automobiles &amp; Components</b> (continued)   |               |                      |            |
| Gates Global LLC, Initial Dollar Term Loans, 4.25%, 7/03/21                                       | United States | 2,000,000 \$         | 1,969,286  |
| Grede Holdings LLC, Initial Term Loan, 4.75%, 6/02/21   | United States | 1,500,000            | 1,497,187  |
| TI Group Automotive Systems LLC, Term Loan, 4.25%, 7/02/21  | United States | 1,995,000            | 1,967,569  |
| UCI International Inc., Term Loan, 5.50%, 7/26/17   | United States | 1,047,652            | 1,049,834  |
|   |               |                      | 7,476,886  |
| <b>Capital Goods 3.8%</b>   |               |                      |            |
| Alfred Fueling Systems Inc. (Wayne Fueling), First Lien Initial Term<br>Loan, 4.75%, 6/20/21      | United States | 997,500              | 990,019    |
| Doosan Infracore International and Doosan Holdings Europe,<br>Tranche B Term Loan, 4.50%, 5/28/21 | United States | 1,935,150            | 1,939,988  |
| Fly Funding II S.A.R.L., Loans, 4.50%, 8/09/19  | Luxembourg    | 2,671,242            | 2,675,417  |
| dOnsite Rental Group Operations Pty. Ltd., Term B Loan, 6.75%,<br>7/30/21                         | United States | 2,000,000            | 1,975,000  |
| RBS Global Inc. (Rexnord), Term B Loan, 4.00%, 8/21/20  | United States | 2,069,100            | 2,039,787  |
| TransDigm Inc.,<br>Tranche C Term Loan, 3.75%, 2/28/20  | United States | 3,962,273            | 3,903,766  |
| Tranche D Term Loan, 3.75%, 6/04/21   | United States | 997,500              | 983,428    |
|   |               |                      | 14,507,405 |
| <b>Commercial &amp; Professional Services 0.8%</b>  |               |                      |            |
| Interactive Data Corp., Term Loan, 4.75%, 5/02/21   | United States | 2,992,500            | 2,979,408  |
| <b>Consumer Services 5.6%</b>   |               |                      |            |
| 24 Hour Fitness Worldwide Inc., Term Loan, 4.75%, 5/30/21   | United States | 1,995,000            | 1,992,494  |
| Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties LLC, Term B Loans,<br>7.00%, 10/11/20                     | United States | 2,984,962            | 2,866,310  |
| dClubCorp Club Operations Inc., Term B Loans, 4.50%, 7/24/20                                      | United States | 3,770,000            | 3,755,863  |
| Fitness International LLC, Term B Loan, 5.50%, 7/01/20  | United States | 1,995,000            | 1,981,909  |
| Four Seasons Holdings Inc., Second Lien Term Loan, 6.25%,<br>12/27/20                             | Canada        | 670,000              | 670,000    |
| La Quinta Intermediate Holdings LLC, Initial Term Loans, 4.00%,<br>4/14/21                        | United States | 1,852,381            | 1,830,615  |
| Scientific Games International Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%,<br>10/18/20                              | United States | 2,979,987            | 2,972,073  |

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| Sungard Availability Services Capital Inc., Tranche B Term Loan,<br>6.00%, 3/31/19 | United States | 1,393,000 | 1,289,685  |
| dTGI Friday s Inc., First Lien Initial Term Loan, 6.50%, 7/15/20                   | United States | 1,995,000 | 1,992,506  |
| Tropicana Entertainment Inc., Term Loans, 4.00%, 11/27/20                          | United States | 1,950,300 | 1,916,170  |
|  |               |           | 21,267,625 |

### **Diversified Financials 2.1%**

|  |               |           |           |
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| Asurion LLC,<br>Incremental Tranche B-1 Term Loan, 5.00%, 5/24/19                            | United States | 1,366,585 | 1,361,602 |
| Incremental Tranche B-2 Term Loans, 4.25%, 7/08/20   | United States | 424,625   | 418,477   |
| Guggenheim Partners Investment Management Holdings LLC, Initial<br>Term Loan, 4.25%, 7/22/20 | United States | 1,994,962 | 1,989,560 |
| Trans Union LLC, 2014 Replacement Term Loan, 4.00%, 4/09/21                                  | United States | 4,035,848 | 3,982,038 |
|  |               |           | 7,751,677 |

### **Energy 1.7%**

|  |               |           |           |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Obsidian Natural Gas Trust, Term Loan, 7.00%, 11/02/15 | United States | 402,744   | 403,247   |
| Osg Bulk Ships Inc., Initial Term Loan, 5.25%, 8/05/19 | United States | 2,074,800 | 2,077,394 |
| Peabody Energy Corp., Term Loan, 5.50%, 9/24/20        | United States | 1,994,962 | 1,949,453 |

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| <b>Senior Floating Rate Interests</b> (continued)                                   |               |                   |                         |
| <b>Energy</b> (continued)   |               |                   |                         |
| Samson Investment Co., Second Lien Tranche I Term Loan, 5.00%,<br>9/25/18           | United States | 2,000,000 \$      | 1,947,750<br>6,377,844  |
| <b>Food &amp; Staples Retailing 0.3%</b>  |               |                   |                         |
| AdvancePierre Foods Inc., Second Lien Term Loan, 9.50%,<br>10/10/17                 | United States | 1,040,000         | 1,034,800               |
| <b>Food, Beverage &amp; Tobacco 1.3%</b>  |               |                   |                         |
| Big Heart Pet Brands (Del Monte Pet), Initial Term Loans, 3.50%,<br>2/24/20         | United States | 2,149,440         | 2,078,240               |
| Post Holdings Inc., Series A Incremental Term Loan, 3.75%,<br>6/02/21               | United States | 2,842,875         | 2,818,196<br>4,896,436  |
| <b>Health Care Equipment &amp; Services 5.8%</b>                                    |               |                   |                         |
| Alere Inc., B Term Loan, 4.25%, 6/30/17   | United States | 2,124,313         | 2,112,143               |
| Amsurg Corp., Initial Term Loan, 3.75%, 7/16/21                                     | United States | 2,992,500         | 2,967,252               |
| Community Health Systems Inc.,<br>2017 Term E Loan, 3.485%, 1/25/17                 | United States | 627,312           | 625,003                 |
| 2021 Term D Loan, 4.25%, 1/27/21  | United States | 3,910,106         | 3,903,510               |
| Connolly LLC, Initial Term Loan, 5.00%, 5/14/21                                     | United States | 1,995,000         | 1,988,766               |
| DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., Tranche B Term Loan, 3.50%,<br>6/24/21             | United States | 1,906,863         | 1,888,540               |
| Envision Healthcare Corp. (Emergency Medical), Initial Term Loan,<br>4.00%, 5/25/18 | United States | 2,060,460         | 2,043,976               |
| lasis Healthcare LLC, Term B-2 Loan, 4.50%, 5/03/18                                 | United States | 1,738,162         | 1,734,903               |
| National Mentor Holdings Inc., Initial Tranche B Term Loan, 4.75%,<br>1/31/21       | United States | 358,200           | 356,931                 |
| dSurgery Centers Holdings Inc., Term Loan, 6.50%, 9/15/20                           | United States | 270,000           | 269,325                 |
| Truven Health Analytics Inc., New Tranche B Term Loan, 4.50%,<br>6/06/19            | United States | 596,970           | 586,523                 |
| dU.S. Renal Care Inc., Tranche B-2 Term Loan, 4.25%, 7/03/19                        | United States | 3,459,847         | 3,422,006<br>21,898,878 |
| <b>Household &amp; Personal Products 0.6%</b>                                       |               |                   |                         |

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| Sun Products Corp., Tranche B Term Loan, 5.50%, 3/23/20                                       | United States | 2,460,196 | 2,328,986 |
| <b>Materials 7.8%</b>   |               |           |           |
| Arysta Lifescience SPC LLC,<br>Initial Term Loan, 4.50%, 5/29/20                              | United States | 2,866,180 | 2,863,193 |
| Second Lien Initial Term Loan, 8.25%, 11/30/20  | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,010,417 |
| Axalta Coating Systems U.S. Holdings Inc., 2014 Specified<br>Refinancing Term, 3.75%, 2/01/20 | United States | 1,831,402 | 1,796,377 |
| AZ Chem US Inc., First Lien Initial Term Loan, 4.50%, 6/12/21                                 | United States | 1,915,069 | 1,915,547 |
| CeramTec Acquisition Corp., Initial Dollar Term B-2 Loan, 4.25%,<br>8/30/20                   | United States | 41,805    | 41,465    |
| CeramTec GmbH, Dollar Term B-3 Loan, 4.25%, 8/30/20   | Germany       | 126,922   | 125,890   |
| Exopack Holdings SA, USD Term Loan, 5.25%, 5/08/19  | Luxembourg    | 1,972,224 | 1,985,373 |
| Faenza Acquisition GmbH, Initial Dollar Term B-1 Loan, 4.25%,<br>8/30/20                      | Germany       | 421,619   | 418,193   |
| FMG America Finance Inc. (Fortescue Metals Group), Loans, 3.75%,<br>6/30/19                   | United States | 3,464,827 | 3,398,417 |
| dMacDermid Holdings LLC, First Lien Tranche B Term Loan, 4.00%,<br>6/07/20                    | United States | 1,377,500 | 1,360,281 |

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| <b>Materials</b> (continued)   |               |                   |            |
| OCI Beaumont LLC, Term B-3 Loan, 5.00%, 8/20/19  | United States | 1,829,531 \$      | 1,836,392  |
| Oxbow Carbon LLC, First Lien Tranche B Term Loan, 4.25%,<br>7/19/19                            | United States | 3,272,419         | 3,270,374  |
| Prescrix Inc.,<br>1st Lien Term Loan B, 4.25%, 5/02/21   | United States | 249,375           | 247,505    |
| 2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.00%, 5/02/22   | United States | 180,000           | 179,775    |
| Reynolds Group Holdings Inc., U.S. Term Loan, 4.00%, 12/01/18                                  | United States | 2,501,813         | 2,479,029  |
| Solenis International LP and Solenis Holdings, First Lien Term Loan,<br>4.25%, 7/31/21         | United States | 820,000           | 806,419    |
| dTronox Pigments (Netherlands) BV, Term Loan, 4.00%, 3/19/20                                   | Netherlands   | 3,949,695         | 3,927,205  |
| Univar Inc., Term B Loan, 5.00%, 6/30/17   | United States | 1,959,350         | 1,942,613  |
|  |               |                   | 29,604,465 |
| <b>Media 4.1%</b>  |               |                   |            |
| Cumulus Media Holdings Inc., Term Loans, 4.25%, 12/23/20                                       | United States | 3,405,631         | 3,354,546  |
| Gray Television Inc., Term Loan B, 3.75%, 6/13/21  | United States | 2,965,532         | 2,948,480  |
| Media General Inc., Term B Loan, 4.25%, 7/31/20  | United States | 1,860,369         | 1,845,253  |
| Univision Communications Inc.,<br>First -Lien Term Loan, Add-on, 4.00%, 3/01/20                | United States | 994,850           | 977,316    |
| Replacement First-Lien Term Loan, 4.00%, 3/01/20   | United States | 620,585           | 609,661    |
| Virgin Media Bristol LLC, B Facility, 3.50%, 6/07/20   | United States | 3,100,000         | 3,022,224  |
| William Morris Endeavor Entertainment LLC, Term Loans First Lien,<br>5.25%, 5/06/21            | United States | 2,992,500         | 2,936,391  |
|  |               |                   | 15,693,871 |
| <b>Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology &amp; Life Sciences 1.9%</b>                                 |               |                   |            |
| Akorn Inc., Loans, 4.50%, 4/16/21  | United States | 770,000           | 769,028    |
| dCatalent Pharma Solutions Inc., Dollar Term Loan, 5.75%,<br>5/20/21                           | United States | 1,995,000         | 1,992,329  |
| Pharmaceutical Product Development LLC, Term Loan, 4.00%,<br>12/05/18                          | United States | 2,052,344         | 2,037,808  |
| Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc.,<br>Series C-2 Tranche B Term Loan, 3.75%, 12/11/19 | Canada        | 863,588           | 855,261    |
| Series D-2 Tranche B Term Loan, 3.75%, 2/13/19   | Canada        | 1,624,763         | 1,609,531  |
|  |               |                   | 7,263,957  |

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**Retailing 2.9%**

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| Academy Ltd., Initial Term Loans, 4.50%, 8/03/18                          | United States | 1,001,829 | 995,882                 |
| BJ's Wholesale Club Inc., 2013 (Nov) Replacement Loans, 4.50%,<br>9/26/19 | United States | 2,179,831 | 2,149,080               |
| Evergreen AcqCo. 1 LP (Savers), Term Loan, 5.00%, 7/09/19                 | United States | 2,947,500 | 2,918,025               |
| Harbor Freight Tools USA Inc., Loans, 4.75%, 7/26/19                      | United States | 1,986,909 | 1,987,903               |
| The Men's Wearhouse Inc., Tranche B Term Loan, 4.50%,<br>6/18/21          | United States | 3,000,000 | 2,990,589<br>11,041,479 |

**Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 1.5%**

|  |               |           |                        |
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| Avago Technologies Cayman Ltd., Term Loans, 3.75%, 5/06/21                       | United States | 2,992,500 | 2,969,254              |
| Freescale Semiconductor Inc., Tranche B-4 Term Loan, 4.25%,<br>2/28/20           | United States | 985,056   | 971,307                |
| M/A-COM Technology Solutions Holdings Inc., Initial Term Loan,<br>4.50%, 5/07/21 | United States | 1,665,825 | 1,681,442<br>5,622,003 |

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| <b>Software &amp; Services 2.3%</b>  |                  |                   |              |
| BMC Software Finance Inc., Initial U.S. Term Loans, 5.00%, 9/10/20             | United States    | 2,894,889         | \$ 2,852,783 |
| MoneyGram International Inc., Term Loan, 4.25%, 3/28/20                        | United States    | 4,144,028         | 4,077,984    |
| Safenet Inc., First Lien Initial Term Loan, 5.50%, 2/24/20                     | United States    | 847,875           | 847,875      |
| Worldpay U.S. Inc., Facility B2A-II Loan, 6.25%, 11/30/19                      | United States    | 1,076,000         | 1,081,380    |
|  |                  |                   | 8,860,022    |
| <b>Technology Hardware &amp; Equipment 2.2%</b>                                |                  |                   |              |
| CIENA Corp., Term Loan, 3.75%, 7/15/19   | United States    | 2,988,586         | 2,962,436    |
| Dell International LLC, Term B Loan, 4.50%, 4/29/20                            | United States    | 2,982,487         | 2,964,593    |
| Oberthur Technologies of America Corp., Tranche B-2 Term Loan, 4.50%, 10/18/19 | United States    | 992,500           | 991,053      |
| Telesat Canada/Telesat LLC, U.S. Term B-2 Loan, 3.50%, 3/28/19                 | Canada           | 1,479,913         | 1,459,860    |
|  |                  |                   | 8,377,942    |
| <b>Telecommunication Services 1.8%</b>   |                  |                   |              |
| Genesys Telecom Holdings U.S. Inc., Dollar Term Loan, 4.00%, 2/08/20           | United States    | 1,087,721         | 1,067,327    |
| Intelsat Jackson Holdings SA, Tranche B-2 Term Loan, 3.75%, 6/30/19            | Luxembourg       | 3,410,931         | 3,363,321    |
| Zayo Group LLC, Term Loan, 4.00%, 7/02/19                                      | United States    | 2,250,560         | 2,220,787    |
|  |                  |                   | 6,651,435    |
| <b>Transportation 0.8%</b>   |                  |                   |              |
| Hertz Corp., Credit Linked Deposit, 3.75%, 3/11/18                             | United States    | 1,000,000         | 995,000      |
| Navios Maritime Partners LP, Initial Term Loan, 5.25%, 6/27/18                 | Marshall Islands | 1,992,456         | 2,011,550    |
|  |                  |                   | 3,006,550    |
| <b>Utilities 0.8%</b>  |                  |                   |              |
| Calpine Corp., Term Loan, 4.00%, 4/01/18                                       | United States    | 2,624,800         | 2,613,135    |
| Term Loans, 4.00%, 10/09/19  | United States    | 333,200           | 330,939      |
|  |                  |                   | 2,944,074    |
| <b>Total Senior Floating Rate Interests</b>                                    |                  |                   |              |
| <b>(Cost \$190,657,518)</b>  |                  |                   | 189,585,743  |
| <b>Foreign Government and Agency Securities 1.3%</b>                           |                  |                   |              |
| Government of Malaysia,  |                  |                   |              |

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| 3.741%, 2/27/15                    | Malaysia    | 2,860,000 MYR   | 874,000 |
| 3.835%, 8/12/15                    | Malaysia    | 755,000 MYR     | 231,350 |
| 4.72%, 9/30/15                     | Malaysia    | 1,263,000 MYR   | 390,525 |
| 3.197%, 10/15/15                   | Malaysia    | 280,000 MYR     | 85,301  |
| Government of Poland,              |             |                 |         |
| 5.50%, 4/25/15                     | Poland      | 645,000 PLN     | 198,704 |
| 5.00%, 4/25/16                     | Poland      | 125,000 PLN     | 39,502  |
| 4.75%, 10/25/16                    | Poland      | 2,100,000 PLN   | 669,488 |
| Strip, 1/25/16                     | Poland      | 310,000 PLN     | 91,255  |
| Korea Monetary Stabilization Bond, |             |                 |         |
| senior bond, 2.47%, 4/02/15        | South Korea | 43,700,000 KRW  | 41,486  |
| senior note, 2.78%, 10/02/14       | South Korea | 678,400,000 KRW | 643,064 |
| senior note, 2.84%, 12/02/14       | South Korea | 242,080,000 KRW | 229,727 |

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| <b>Foreign Government and Agency Securities</b> (continued)                                       |               |                      |                  |
| Korea Treasury Bond, senior note,<br>3.25%, 12/10/14  | South Korea   | 56,700,000 KRW       | \$ 53,851        |
| 3.25%, 6/10/15  | South Korea   | 42,100,000 KRW       | 40,194           |
| 2.75%, 12/10/15   | South Korea   | 274,200,000 KRW      | 261,558          |
| 3.00%, 12/10/16   | South Korea   | 1,000,000,000 KRW    | 962,707          |
| <b>Total Foreign Government and Agency Securities<br/>(Cost \$4,831,418)</b>                      |               |                      | <b>4,812,712</b> |
| <b>Asset-Backed Securities and Commercial<br/>Mortgage-Backed Securities 11.5%<br/>Banks 6.7%</b> |               |                      |                  |
| Banc of America Commercial Mortgage Trust, 2006-4, AJ, 5.695%,<br>7/10/46                         | United States | 1,610,000            | 1,672,935        |
| eBear Stearns Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust, 2004-4, A6, FRN,<br>3.517%, 6/25/34                 | United States | 1,087,196            | 1,111,868        |
| Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage Securities Inc.,<br>e2006-PW11, AJ, FRN, 5.605%, 3/11/39         | United States | 1,750,000            | 1,820,910        |
| e2006-PW12, AJ, FRN, 5.751%, 9/11/38  | United States | 1,500,000            | 1,558,115        |
| 2006-PW13, AJ, 5.611%, 9/11/41  | United States | 1,820,000            | 1,888,861        |
| e2007-PW16, AM, FRN, 5.706%, 6/11/40  | United States | 260,000              | 285,355          |
| Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust, 2007-PW15,<br>A4, 5.331%, 2/11/44              | United States | 89,613               | 95,624           |
| Citigroup Commercial Mortgage Trust,<br>2006-C5, AJ, 5.482%, 10/15/49                             | United States | 1,200,000            | 1,196,559        |
| e2007-C6, AM, FRN, 5.706%, 6/10/17  | United States | 1,520,000            | 1,651,827        |
| eCitigroup/Deutsche Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, 2006-CD3,<br>AJ, FRN, 5.688%, 10/15/48        | United States | 1,300,000            | 1,252,744        |
| Greenwich Capital Commercial Funding Corp.,<br>e2006-GG7, AJ, FRN, 5.82%, 7/10/38                 | United States | 1,590,000            | 1,655,112        |
| 2007-GG9, A4, 5.444%, 3/10/39   | United States | 825,000              | 889,501          |
| 2007-GG9, AM, 5.475%, 3/10/39   | United States | 1,430,000            | 1,514,840        |
| JP Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust,<br>2006-CB17, AM, 5.464%, 12/12/43          | United States | 380,000              | 398,059          |
| e2006-LDP7, AJ, FRN, 5.873%, 4/15/45  | United States | 2,000,000            | 2,045,828        |

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| eLB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust, 2006-C4, AM, FRN, 5.857%,<br>6/15/38             | United States | 1,100,000 | 1,182,551  |
| eMerrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust,<br>2003-OPT1, B2, FRN, 4.28%, 7/25/34      | United States | 33,301    | 3,422      |
| 2005-A6, 2A3, FRN, 0.535%, 8/25/35  | United States | 540,000   | 504,567    |
| eMerrill Lynch Mortgage Trust, 2005-CKI1, AJ, FRN, 5.282%,<br>11/12/37              | United States | 1,825,000 | 1,889,017  |
| eMorgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust, 2003-NC10, B1, FRN,<br>5.105%, 10/25/33   | United States | 350,442   | 259,965    |
| eMorgan Stanley Capital I Trust,<br>2006-HQ8, AJ, FRN, 5.497%, 3/12/44              | United States | 110,000   | 114,079    |
| 2007-IQ16, AM, FRN, 6.099%, 12/12/49  | United States | 710,000   | 788,985    |
| 2007-IQ16, AMA, FRN, 6.094%, 12/12/49   | United States | 750,000   | 830,000    |
| Wells Fargo Mortgage Backed Securities Trust,<br>e2004-W, A9, FRN, 2.762%, 11/25/34 | United States | 499,022   | 516,471    |
| 2007-3, 3A1, 5.50%, 4/25/37   | United States | 262,549   | 272,339    |
|   |               |           | 25,399,534 |

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|   | Country        | Principal Amount* | Value     |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| <b>Asset-Backed Securities and Commercial</b>   |                |                   |           |
| <b>Mortgage-Backed Securities</b> (continued)   |                |                   |           |
| <b>Diversified Financials 4.8%</b>  |                |                   |           |
| c,eARES CLO Funds, 2007-12A, B, 144A, FRN, 1.235%, 11/25/20                               | United States  | 530,000 \$        | 521,573   |
| e,jArgent Securities Inc., 2003-W5, M4, FRN, 5.78%, 10/25/33                              | United States  | 532,763           | 439,802   |
| c,eAtrium CDO Corp., 10A, C, 144A, FRN, 2.833%, 7/16/25                                   | United States  | 920,000           | 901,462   |
| c,d,eAtrium XI, 11A, C, 144A, FRN, 3.435%, 10/23/25                                       | Cayman Islands | 910,000           | 910,000   |
| c,eBCAP LLC Trust, 2009-RR1, 2A2, 144A, FRN, 2.615%, 5/26/35                              | United States  | 1,600,000         | 1,583,448 |
| c,eCatamaran CLO Ltd., 2013-1A, C, 144A, FRN, 2.835%, 1/27/25                             | Cayman Islands | 750,000           | 727,297   |
| c,eCent CDO Ltd., 2007-15A, A2B, 144A, FRN, 0.575%, 3/11/21                               | United States  | 457,000           | 427,574   |
| c,eCent CLO LP, 2013-17A, D, 144A, FRN, 3.236%, 1/30/25                                   | Cayman Islands | 392,157           | 391,522   |
| eChase Funding Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, 2004-2, 2A2, FRN, 0.655%, 2/25/35 | United States  | 493,412           | 447,885   |
| c,eCIFC Funding Ltd., 2007-3A, A1J, 144A, FRN, 0.635%, 7/26/21                            | United States  | 640,000           | 613,856   |
| c,eColumbusNova CLO Ltd., 2007-2A, A2, 144A, FRN, 1.234%, 10/15/21                        | United States  | 310,000           | 302,495   |
| c,eCT CDO IV Ltd., 2006-4A, A1, 144A, FRN, 0.464%, 10/20/43                               | United States  | 1,007,414         | 993,617   |
| c,eEaton Vance CDO Ltd., 2014-1A, A, 144A, FRN, 1.685%, 7/15/26                           | Cayman Islands | 1,000,000         | 1,002,000 |
| B, 144A, FRN, 2.285%, 7/15/26   | United States  | 400,000           | 395,480   |
| C, 144A, FRN, 3.235%, 7/15/26   | United States  | 170,000           | 169,572   |
| c,eGleneagles CLO Ltd., 2005-1A, A2, 144A, FRN, 0.64%, 11/01/17                           | United States  | 1,000,000         | 989,010   |
| eImpac Secured Assets Trust, 2007-2, FRN, 0.405%, 4/25/37                                 | United States  | 573,092           | 534,337   |
| c,eING Investment Management CLO Ltd., 2013-1A, B, 144A, FRN, 3.134%, 4/15/24             | Cayman Islands | 180,000           | 179,761   |
| 2013-1A, C, 144A, FRN, 3.734%, 4/15/24  | Cayman Islands | 450,000           | 431,001   |
| 2013-2A, B, 144A, FRN, 2.914%, 4/25/25  | United States  | 1,000,000         | 986,930   |
| MortgageIT Trust, 2004-1, A2, 1.055%, 11/25/34  | United States  | 658,213           | 641,965   |
| eOpteum Mortgage Acceptance Corp. Trust, 2005-4, 1APT, FRN, 0.465%, 11/25/35              | United States  | 980,961           | 937,445   |
| e,jOption One Mortgage Loan Trust, 2003-6, M5, FRN, 5.105%, 11/25/33                      | United States  | 193,598           | 95,221    |
| eStructured Asset Investment Loan Trust, 2003-BC2, M3, FRN, 5.03%, 4/25/33                | United States  | 13,987            | 7,334     |
| Structured Asset Securities Corp., 2005-2XS, 2A2, 1.655%,                                 |                |                   |           |

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|--|---------------|-------------|------------|
| 2/25/35  | United States | 601,915     | 586,691    |
| e,kTalisman 6 Finance, Reg S, FRN, 0.382%, 10/22/16  | Germany       | 646,607 EUR | 801,288    |
| eThornburg Mortgage Securities Trust, 2005-1, A3, FRN, 4.799%,<br>4/25/45                              | United States | 1,448,601   | 1,472,481  |
| c,eWestchester CLO Ltd., 2007-1A, A1A, 144A, FRN, 0.465%,<br>8/01/22                                   | United States | 514,958     | 509,865    |
|  |               |             | 18,000,912 |
| <b>Total Asset-Backed Securities and Commercial<br/>Mortgage-Backed Securities (Cost \$42,266,416)</b> |               |             | 43,400,446 |
| <b>Mortgage-Backed Securities 30.4%</b>  |               |             |            |
| <b>eFederal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC)</b>   |               |             |            |
| <b>Adjustable Rate 0.1%</b>  |               |             |            |
| FHLMC, 2.452%, 5/01/34   | United States | 519,622     | 527,647    |
| <b>Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC)</b>  |               |             |            |
| <b>Fixed Rate 4.3%</b>   |               |             |            |
| FHLMC Gold 15 Year, 5.00%, 12/01/23  | United States | 1,282,538   | 1,395,319  |
| FHLMC Gold 15 Year, 5.50%, 7/01/19   | United States | 34,532      | 36,921     |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 3.50%, 5/01/42 - 10/01/43  | United States | 1,570,938   | 1,608,286  |

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| <b>Mortgage-Backed Securities</b> (continued)        |               |                   |            |
| <b>Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC)</b>      |               |                   |            |
| <b>Fixed Rate</b> (continued)                        |               |                   |            |
| dFHLMC Gold 30 Year, 4.00%, 10/01/41                 | United States | 8,000,000 \$      | 8,423,121  |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 4.50%, 9/01/39 - 4/01/40         | United States | 526,906           | 568,845    |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 5.00%, 11/01/38                  | United States | 764,698           | 841,646    |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 6.00%, 7/01/28 - 11/01/36        | United States | 1,393,162         | 1,577,697  |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 6.50%, 8/01/27 - 3/01/38         | United States | 686,234           | 780,876    |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 7.00%, 9/01/27                   | United States | 225,919           | 254,031    |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 8.00%, 1/01/31                   | United States | 30,873            | 36,005     |
| FHLMC Gold 30 Year, 8.50%, 7/01/31                   | United States | 602,964           | 705,669    |
|  |               |                   | 16,228,416 |
| <b>eFederal National Mortgage Association (FNMA)</b> |               |                   |            |
| <b>Adjustable Rate 0.3%</b>                          |               |                   |            |
| FNMA, 1.79% - 1.98%, 6/01/32 - 7/01/34               | United States | 1,033,512         | 1,090,207  |
| <b>Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA)</b>  |               |                   |            |
| <b>Fixed Rate 24.1%</b>                              |               |                   |            |
| FNMA 15 Year, 3.00%, 8/01/27                         | United States | 25,224            | 26,024     |
| dFNMA 15 Year, 3.50%, 1/01/26 - 10/01/29             | United States | 509,034           | 535,323    |
| FNMA 15 Year, 5.50%, 7/01/20                         | United States | 564,178           | 603,338    |
| FNMA 15 Year, 6.00%, 6/01/17                         | United States | 41                | 42         |
| FNMA 15 Year, 6.50%, 7/01/20                         | United States | 5,225             | 5,451      |
| dFNMA 30 Year, 3.00%, 8/01/42                        | United States | 36,475,000        | 37,572,100 |
| FNMA 30 Year, 3.00%, 9/01/32 - 4/01/43               | United States | 2,805,048         | 2,788,992  |
| dFNMA 30 Year, 4.00%, 10/01/40                       | United States | 30,850,000        | 32,512,526 |
| FNMA 30 Year, 4.00%, 12/01/40 - 2/01/41              | United States | 3,418,830         | 3,608,884  |
| FNMA 30 Year, 5.00%, 5/01/38 - 7/01/39               | United States | 1,664,579         | 1,840,413  |
| dFNMA 30 Year, 5.00%, 10/01/39                       | United States | 6,653,000         | 7,341,585  |
| FNMA 30 Year, 5.50%, 6/01/37                         | United States | 1,218,239         | 1,355,715  |
| FNMA 30 Year, 6.00%, 4/01/33 - 6/01/38               | United States | 2,080,153         | 2,359,836  |
| FNMA 30 Year, 6.50%, 8/01/32                         | United States | 257,396           | 295,161    |
| FNMA 30 Year, 7.00%, 9/01/18                         | United States | 49,279            | 52,633     |
| FNMA 30 Year, 8.00%, 10/01/29                        | United States | 103,008           | 114,419    |
| FNMA 30 Year, 8.50%, 8/01/26                         | United States | 194,496           | 212,946    |

91,225,388

**Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA)****Fixed Rate 1.6%**

|   |               |           |           |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| GNMA I SF 30 Year, 6.50%, 6/15/31 - 12/15/33  | United States | 527,729   | 605,068   |
| dGNMA II SF 30 Year, 3.50%, 6/20/42 - 5/20/44 | United States | 4,909,258 | 5,076,711 |
| GNMA II SF 30 Year, 7.00%, 1/20/24 - 1/20/29  | United States | 73,068    | 83,424    |
| GNMA II SF 30 Year, 8.00%, 1/20/28 - 10/20/31 | United States | 175,188   | 213,787   |
|   |               |           | 5,978,990 |

**Total Mortgage-Backed Securities****(Cost \$114,316,547)**

115,050,648

**Municipal Bonds 1.2%**

|   |               |           |           |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Wastewater System Revenue,<br>Series B, 4.00%, 5/01/19  | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,126,730 |
| New York Thruway Authority General Junior Indebtedness<br>Obligations Revenue, Series A, 5.00%, 5/01/19                                 | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,160,530 |
| Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp. Revenue, Asset-Backed, State<br>Contingency Contract Secured, Refunding, Series B, 5.00%,<br>6/01/20 | United States | 1,000,000 | 1,031,010 |

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|   | Country       | Principal<br>Amount* | Value          |
|---|---------------|----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Municipal Bonds (continued)</b>  |               |                      |                |
| Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority Revenues, Refunding,<br>Sub Series D-1, 2.885%, 11/15/19 |               |                      |                |
|   | United States | 1,000,000            | \$ 1,026,120   |
| <b>Total Municipal Bonds (Cost \$4,219,024)</b>   |               |                      | 4,344,390      |
| <b>Shares</b>   |               |                      |                |
| <b>Litigation Trusts (Cost \$ ) 0.0%</b>  |               |                      |                |
| <b>Materials 0.0%</b>   |               |                      |                |
| a,InNewPage Corp., Litigation Trust   |               |                      |                |
|   | United States | 1,500,000            |                |
| <b>Total Investments before Short Term Investments<br/>(Cost \$538,542,401)</b>                 |               |                      | 542,824,766    |
| <b>Principal<br/>Amount*</b>  |               |                      |                |
| <b>Short Term Investments 3.1%</b>  |               |                      |                |
| <b>Foreign Government and Agency Securities 0.1%</b>  |               |                      |                |
| mBank of Negara Monetary Notes, 10/02/14 - 11/06/14   |               |                      |                |
|   | Malaysia      | 685,000 MYR          | 208,355        |
| Korea Monetary Stabilization Bond, senior note, 2.74%, 2/02/15                                  |               |                      |                |
|   | South Korea   | 100,000,000 KRW      | 94,974         |
| <b>Total Foreign Government and Agency Securities<br/>(Cost \$311,751)</b>                      |               |                      | 303,329        |
| <b>Total Investments before Money Market Funds<br/>(Cost \$538,854,152)</b>                     |               |                      | 543,128,095    |
| <b>Shares</b>   |               |                      |                |
| <b>Money Market Funds (Cost \$11,682,611) 3.0%</b>  |               |                      |                |
| a,Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio  |               |                      |                |
|   | United States | 11,682,611           | 11,682,611     |
| <b>Total Investments (Cost \$550,536,763) 146.7%</b>  |               |                      | 554,810,706    |
| <b>Preferred Shares (23.8)%</b>   |               |                      | (90,000,000 )  |
| <b>Other Assets, less Liabilities (22.9)%</b>   |               |                      | (86,707,777 )  |
| <b>Net Assets 100.0%</b>  |               |                      | \$ 378,102,929 |



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\*The principal amount is stated in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Rounds to less than 0.1% of net assets.

<sup>a</sup>Non-income producing.

<sup>b</sup>Perpetual security with no stated maturity date.

<sup>c</sup>Security was purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be sold in transactions exempt from registration only to qualified institutional

buyers or in a public offering registered under the Securities Act of 1933. These securities have been deemed liquid under guidelines approved by the Trust's Board of

Trustees. At September 30, 2014, the aggregate value of these securities was \$91,462,170, representing 24.19% of net assets.

<sup>d</sup>A portion or all of the security purchased on a when-issued, delayed delivery, or to-be-announced (TBA) basis. See Note 1(c).

<sup>e</sup>The coupon rate shown represents the rate at period end.

<sup>f</sup>At September 30, 2014, pursuant to the Fund's policies and the requirements of applicable securities law, the Fund may be restricted from trading these securities for

a limited or extended period of time.

<sup>g</sup>Income may be received in additional securities and/or cash.

<sup>h</sup>See Note 8 regarding defaulted securities.

<sup>i</sup>See Note 1(g) regarding senior floating rate interests.

<sup>j</sup>The bond pays interest and/or principal based upon the issuer's ability to pay, which may be less than the stated interest rate or principal paydown.

<sup>k</sup>Security was purchased pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, which exempts from registration securities offered and sold outside of the United

States. Such a security cannot be sold in the United States without either an effective registration statement filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, or pursuant to an

exemption from registration. This security has been deemed liquid under guidelines approved by the Trust's Board of Trustees. At September 30, 2014, the value of this

security was \$801,288, representing 0.21% of net assets.

<sup>l</sup>Security has been deemed illiquid because it may not be able to be sold within seven days.

<sup>m</sup>The security is traded on a discount basis with no stated coupon rate.

<sup>n</sup>See Note 4(c) regarding investments in Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio.

At September 30, 2014, the Fund had the following forward exchange contracts outstanding. See Note 1(d).

#### Forward Exchange Contracts

| Currency     | Counterparty <sup>a</sup> | Type | Quantity    | Contract Amount | Settlement Date | Unrealized Appreciation | Unrealized Depreciation |
|--------------|---------------------------|------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Japanese Yen | JPHQ                      | Sell | 180,180,000 | \$ 1,839,348    | 11/05/14        | \$ 195,766              |                         |
| Euro         | DBAB                      | Sell | 117,683     | 159,326         | 11/10/14        | 10,661                  |                         |
| Euro         | JPHQ                      | Sell | 78,316      | 104,430         | 11/12/14        | 5,495                   |                         |
| Euro         | DBAB                      | Sell | 309,763     | 419,624         | 12/04/14        | 28,244                  |                         |
| Japanese Yen | DBAB                      | Sell | 309,500,000 | 3,006,752       | 12/22/14        | 181,742                 |                         |
| Euro         | DBAB                      | Buy  | 364,000     | 498,582         | 1/09/15         |                         | (38,540 )               |

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|  |      |      |             |           |         |              |           |
|--|------|------|-------------|-----------|---------|--------------|-----------|
| Euro                                       | DBAB | Sell | 366,621     | 499,759   | 1/09/15 | 36,404       |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | DBAB | Sell | 397,510,000 | 3,871,086 | 1/09/15 | 241,842      |           |
| Euro                                       | DBAB | Sell | 2,633,948   | 3,625,326 | 2/09/15 | 295,546      |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | DBAB | Sell | 171,860,000 | 1,677,501 | 2/09/15 | 107,967      |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | HSBK | Sell | 28,600,000  | 279,016   | 2/09/15 | 17,823       |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | JPHQ | Sell | 60,500,000  | 590,564   | 2/09/15 | 38,040       |           |
| British Pound                              | DBAB | Sell | 900,000     | 1,509,480 | 3/09/15 | 52,698       |           |
| Euro                                       | DBAB | Sell | 1,096,360   | 1,510,471 | 3/09/15 | 124,152      |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | DBAB | Sell | 465,943,750 | 4,575,752 | 3/09/15 | 319,327      |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | HSBK | Sell | 32,110,000  | 314,126   | 3/09/15 | 20,800       |           |
| Japanese Yen                               | JPHQ | Sell | 94,170,000  | 921,049   | 3/09/15 | 60,800       |           |
| Euro                                       | DBAB | Sell | 210,898     | 282,825   | 5/07/15 | 15,975       |           |
| Euro                                       | JPHQ | Sell | 105,568     | 141,459   | 5/07/15 | 7,884        |           |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation)     |      |      |             |           |         | 1,761,166    | (38,540 ) |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) |      |      |             |           |         | \$ 1,722,626 |           |

aMay be comprised of multiple contracts with the same counterparty, currency and settlement date.

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At September 30, 2014, the Fund had the following credit default swap contracts outstanding. See Note 1(d).

| Description                                      | Counter-party/<br>Exchange | Notional<br>Amounta | Periodic<br>Payment<br>Rate | Expiration<br>Date | Upfront<br>Premiums                |    | Unrealized<br>Unrealized<br>Depreciation | Market<br>Value | Ratingb              |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|----|--|-----------------|----------------------|
|  |                            |                     |                             |                    | Paid<br>(Received)<br>Appreciation |    |  |                 |                      |
| <b>OTC Swaps</b>                                 |                            |                     |                             |                    |                                    |    |  |                 |                      |
| <b>Contracts to Sell Protectionc</b>             |                            |                     |                             |                    |                                    |    |  |                 |                      |
| <b>Traded Index</b>                              |                            |                     |                             |                    |                                    |    |  |                 |                      |
| CMBX.NA.AJ.2                                     | FBCO                       | \$ 992,783          | 1.09 %                      | 3/15/49            | \$ (143,956 )                      | \$ | 60,168 \$                                | — \$ (83,787 )  | Non Investment Grade |
| MCDX.NA.22                                       | CITI                       | 3,000,000           | 1.00 %                      | 6/20/19            | 31,672                             |    | — (11,230 )                              | 20,442          | Investment Grade     |
| OTC Swaps unrealized appreciation (depreciation) |                            |                     |                             |                    |                                    |    | 60,168                                   | (11,230 )       |                      |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)       |                            |                     |                             |                    |                                    |    | \$                                       | 48,938          |                      |

aIn U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated. For contracts to sell protection, the notional amount is equal to the maximum potential amount of the future payments and no

recourse provisions have been entered into in association with the contracts.

bBased on Standard and Poor's (S&P) Rating for single name swaps and internal ratings for index swaps. Internal ratings based on mapping into equivalent ratings from

external vendors.

cThe fund enters contracts to sell protection to create a long credit position. Performance triggers include failure to pay or bankruptcy of the underlying securities for traded

index swaps.

See Note 9 regarding other derivative information.

See Abbreviations on page 39.

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**Financial Statements****Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

September 30, 2014 (unaudited)

## Assets:

## Investments in securities:

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Cost - Unaffiliated issuers                           | \$ 538,854,152 |
| Cost - Sweep Money Fund (Note 4c)                     | 11,682,611     |
| Total cost of investments                             | \$ 550,536,763 |
| Value - Unaffiliated issuers                          | \$ 543,128,095 |
| Value - Sweep Money Fund (Note 4c)                    | 11,682,611     |
| Total value of investments                            | 554,810,706    |
| Cash  | 989,765        |
| Restricted cash (Note 1e)                             | 1,300,000      |
| Receivables:  |                |
| Investment securities sold                            | 15,909,449     |
| Dividends and interest                                | 4,674,067      |
| Due from brokers                                      | 250,000        |
| OTC swaps (premiums paid \$33,215)                    | 31,672         |
| Unrealized appreciation on forward exchange contracts | 1,761,166      |
| Unrealized appreciation on OTC swap contracts         | 60,168         |
| Total assets  | 579,786,993    |

## Liabilities:

## Payables:

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Investment securities purchased  | 108,040,000    |
| Management fees  | 322,946        |
| Distributions to common shareholders   | 1,663,810      |
| Distributions to preferred shareholders  | 11,347         |
| Trustees' fees and expenses  | 1,232          |
| Due to brokers   | 1,300,000      |
| OTC Swaps (premiums received \$149,538)  | 143,956        |
| Unrealized depreciation on forward exchange contracts  | 38,540         |
| Unrealized depreciation on OTC swap contracts  | 11,230         |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities   | 151,003        |
| Total liabilities  | 111,684,064    |
| Preferred shares at redemption value [\$25,000 liquidation preference per share (3,600 shares outstanding)] (Note 3) | 90,000,000     |
| Net assets applicable to common shares   | \$ 378,102,929 |

Net assets applicable to common shares consist of:

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|  |    |              |
|--|----|--------------|
| Paid-in capital                                  | \$ | 381,377,452  |
| Distributions in excess of net investment income |    | (1,461,469 ) |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)       |    | 6,037,309    |
| Accumulated net realized gain (loss)             |    | (7,850,363 ) |
| Net assets applicable to common shares           | \$ | 378,102,929  |
| Common shares outstanding                        |    | 26,835,650   |
| Net asset value per common share                 | \$ | 14.09        |

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FRANKLIN LIMITED DURATION INCOME TRUST  
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for the six months ended September 30, 2014 (unaudited)

|   |    |               |
|---|----|---------------|
| Investment income:  |    |               |
| Interest  | \$ | 11,883,705    |
| Expenses:   |    |               |
| Management fees (Note 4a)   |    | 1,985,280     |
| Transfer agent fees   |    | 34,825        |
| Custodian fees (Note 5)   |    | 3,812         |
| Reports to shareholders   |    | 25,976        |
| Registration and filing fees  |    | 9,642         |
| Professional fees   |    | 37,420        |
| Trustees' fees and expenses   |    | 11,243        |
| Auction agent fees and expenses   |    | 22,677        |
| Other   |    | 51,294        |
| Total expenses  |    | 2,182,169     |
| Expense reductions (Note 5)   |    | (328 )        |
| Expenses waived/paid by affiliates (Note 4c)  |    | (7,099 )      |
| Net expenses  |    | 2,174,742     |
| Net investment income   |    | 9,708,963     |
| Realized and unrealized gains (losses):   |    |               |
| Net realized gain (loss) from:  |    |               |
| Investments   |    | 4,095,772     |
| Foreign currency transactions   |    | (194,764 )    |
| Swap contracts  |    | 126,005       |
| Net realized gain (loss)  |    | 4,027,013     |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:                                    |    |               |
| Investments   |    | (11,486,588 ) |
| Translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies               |    | 1,787,973     |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)  |    | (9,698,615 )  |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)   |    | (5,671,602 )  |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations                             |    | 4,037,361     |
| Distributions to preferred shareholders from net investment income                          |    | (749,245 )    |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shares resulting from operations | \$ | 3,288,116     |

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**Statements of Changes in Net Assets**

|   | <b>Six Months Ended</b>   |    | <b>Year Ended</b>     |
|---|---------------------------|----|-----------------------|
|   | <b>September 30, 2014</b> |    | <b>March 31, 2014</b> |
|   | <b>(unaudited)</b>        |    | <b>March 31, 2014</b> |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets:  |                           |    |                       |
| Operations:   |                           |    |                       |
| Net investment income   | \$ 9,708,963              | \$ | 21,575,571            |
| Net realized gain (loss) from investments, foreign currency transactions and swap contracts   | 4,027,013                 |    | 5,510,114             |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies | (9,698,615 )              |    | (374,750 )            |
| Distribution to preferred shareholders from net investment income   | (749,245 )                |    | (1,498,482 )          |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shares resulting from operations   | 3,288,116                 |    | 25,212,453            |
| Distributions to common shareholders from net investment income   | (10,573,245 )             |    | (23,508,029 )         |
| Capital share transactions from reinvestment of distributions: (Note 2)   | —                         |    | 52,099                |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets   | (7,285,129 )              |    | 1,756,523             |
| Net assets applicable to common shares:   |                           |    |                       |
| Beginning of period   | 385,388,058               |    | 383,631,535           |
| End of period   | \$ 378,102,929            | \$ | 385,388,058           |
| Undistributed net investment income (distributions in excess of net investment income) included in net assets:  |                           |    |                       |
| End of period   | \$ (1,461,469 )           | \$ | 152,058               |

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## Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited)

### 1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust (Fund) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, (1940 Act) as a closed-end management investment company and applies the specialized accounting and reporting guidance in U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP).

Effective June 30, 2014, the Franklin Templeton Limited Duration Income Trust was renamed the Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust.

The following summarizes the Fund's significant accounting policies.

#### a. Financial Instrument Valuation

The Fund's investments in financial instruments are carried at fair value daily. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Fund calculates the net asset value (NAV) per share at the close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), generally at 4 p.m. Eastern time (NYSE close) on each day the NYSE is open for trading. Under compliance policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees (the Board), the Fund's administrator has responsibility for oversight of valuation, including leading the cross-functional Valuation and Liquidity Oversight Committee (VLOC). The VLOC provides administration and oversight of the Fund's valuation policies and procedures, which are approved annually by the Board. Among other things, these procedures allow the Fund to utilize independent pricing services, quotations from securities and financial instrument dealers, and other market sources to determine fair value.

Equity securities listed on an exchange or on the NASDAQ National Market System are valued at the last quoted sale price or the official closing price of the day, respectively. Over-the-counter (OTC) securities are valued within the range of the most recent quoted bid and ask prices. Securities that trade in multiple markets or on multiple exchanges are valued according to the broadest and most representative market. Certain equity securities are valued based upon fundamental characteristics or relationships to similar securities. Investments in open-end mutual funds are valued at the closing net asset value.

Debt securities generally trade in the OTC market rather than on a securities exchange. The Fund's pricing services use multiple valuation techniques to determine fair value. In instances where sufficient market activity exists, the pricing services may utilize a market-based approach through which quotes from market makers are used to determine fair value. In instances where sufficient market activity may not exist or is limited, the pricing services also utilize proprietary valuation models which may consider market characteristics such as benchmark yield curves, credit spreads, estimated default rates, anticipated market interest rate volatility, coupon rates, anticipated timing of principal repayments, underlying collateral, and other unique security features in order to estimate the relevant cash flows, which are then discounted to calculate the fair value. Securities denominated in a foreign currency are converted into their U.S. dollar equivalent at the foreign exchange rate in effect at the NYSE close on the date that the values of the foreign debt securities are determined.

Certain derivative financial instruments (derivatives) trade in the OTC market. The Fund's pricing services use various techniques including industry standard option pricing models and proprietary discounted cash flow models to determine the fair value of those instruments. The Fund's net benefit or obligation under the derivative contract, as measured by the fair value of the contract, is included in net assets.

The Fund has procedures to determine the fair value of financial instruments for which market prices are not reliable or readily available. Under these procedures, the VLOC convenes on a regular basis to review such financial instruments and considers a number of factors, including significant unobservable valuation inputs, when arriving at fair value. The VLOC primarily employs a market-based approach which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, book values, and other relevant information for the investment to determine the fair value of the investment. An income-based valuation approach may also be used in which the anticipated future cash flows of the investment are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the investments. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations of such investments, the fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had an active market existed. The VLOC employs various methods for calibrating these valuation approaches including a regular review of key inputs and assumptions, transactional back-testing or disposition analysis, and reviews of any related market activity.



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**b. Foreign Currency Translation**

Portfolio securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars based on the exchange rate of such currencies against U.S. dollars on the date of valuation. The Fund may enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to facilitate transactions denominated in a foreign currency. Purchases and sales of securities, income and expense items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the transaction date. Portfolio securities and assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies contain risks that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar. Occasionally, events may impact the availability or reliability of foreign exchange rates used to convert the U.S. dollar equivalent value. If such an event occurs, the foreign exchange rate will be valued at fair value using procedures established and approved by the Board.

The Fund does not separately report the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from changes in market prices on securities held. Such changes are included in net realized and unrealized gain or loss from investments on the Statement of Operations.

Realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions and the difference between the recorded amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in foreign exchange rates on foreign denominated assets and liabilities other than investments in securities held at the end of the reporting period.

**c. Securities Purchased on a When-Issued, Delayed Delivery and TBA Basis**

The Fund purchases securities on a when-issued, delayed delivery, and to-be-announced (TBA) basis, with payment and delivery scheduled for a future date. These transactions are subject to market fluctuations and are subject to the risk that the value at delivery may be more or less than the trade date purchase price. Although the Fund will generally purchase these securities with the intention of holding the securities, it may sell the securities before the settlement date. Sufficient assets have been segregated for these securities and collateral has been pledged and/or received for open TBA trades.

**d. Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Fund invested in derivatives in order to manage risk or gain exposure to various other investments or markets. Derivatives are financial contracts based on an underlying or notional amount, require no initial investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would normally be required to have a similar response to changes in market factors, and require or permit net settlement. Derivatives contain various risks including the potential inability of the counterparty to fulfill their obligations under the terms of the contract, the potential for an illiquid secondary market, and/or the potential for market movements which expose the Fund to gains or losses in excess of the amounts shown on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Realized gain and loss and unrealized appreciation and depreciation on these contracts for the period are included in the Statement of Operations.

Derivative counterparty credit risk is managed through a formal evaluation of the creditworthiness of all potential counterparties. The Fund attempts to reduce its exposure to counterparty credit risk on OTC derivatives, whenever possible, by entering into International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) master agreements with certain counter-parties. These agreements contain various provisions, including but not limited to collateral requirements, events of default, or early termination. Termination events applicable to the counterparty include certain deteriorations in the credit quality of the counterparty. Termination events applicable to the Fund include failure of the Fund to maintain certain net asset levels and/or limit the decline in net assets over various periods of time. In the event of default or early termination, the ISDA master agreement gives the non-defaulting party the right to net and close-out all transactions traded, whether or not arising under the ISDA agreement, to one net amount payable by one counterparty to the other. However, absent an event of default or early termination, OTC derivative assets and liabilities are presented gross and not offset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Early termination by the counterparty may result in an immediate payment by the Fund of any net liability owed to that counterparty under the ISDA agreement.

Collateral requirements differ by type of derivative. Collateral terms are contract specific for OTC derivatives. For OTC derivatives traded under an ISDA master agreement, posting of collateral is required by either the fund or the applicable counterparty if the total net exposure of all OTC derivatives with the applicable counterparty exceeds the minimum transfer amount, which typically ranges from \$100,000 to \$250,000,



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## 1. Organization and Significant Accounting

### Policies (continued)

#### d. Derivative Financial Instruments (continued)

and can vary depending on the counterparty and the type of the agreement. Generally, collateral is determined at the close of fund business each day and any additional collateral required due to changes in derivative values may be delivered by the fund or the counterparty within a few business days. Collateral pledged and/or received by the fund, if any, is held in segregated accounts with the fund's custodian/counterparty broker and can be in the form of cash and/or securities. Unrestricted cash may be invested according to the Fund's investment objectives.

The Fund entered into forward exchange contracts primarily to manage and/or gain exposure to certain foreign currencies. A forward exchange contract is an agreement between the Fund and a counterparty to buy or sell a foreign currency at a specific exchange rate on a future date.

The Fund entered into credit default swap contracts primarily to manage and/or gain exposure to credit risk. A credit default swap is an agreement between the Fund and a counterparty whereby the buyer of the contract receives credit protection and the seller of the contract guarantees the credit worthiness of a referenced debt obligation. These agreements may be privately negotiated in the over-the-counter market (OTC credit default swaps) or may be executed in a multilateral trade facility platform, such as a registered exchange (centrally cleared credit default swaps). The underlying referenced debt obligation may be a single issuer of corporate or sovereign debt, a credit index, or a tranche of a credit index. In the event of a default of the underlying referenced debt obligation, the buyer is entitled to receive the notional amount of the credit default swap contract from the seller in exchange for the referenced debt obligation, a net settlement amount equal to the notional amount of the credit default swap less the recovery value of the referenced debt obligation, or other agreed upon amount. For centrally cleared credit default swaps, required initial margins are pledged by the Fund, and the daily change in fair value is accounted for as a variation margin payable or receivable on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Over the term of the contract, the buyer pays the seller a periodic stream of payments, provided that no event of default has occurred. Such periodic payments are accrued daily as an unrealized appreciation or depreciation until the payments are made, at which time they are realized. Payments received or paid to initiate a credit default swap contract are reflected on the

Statement of Assets and Liabilities and represent compensating factors between stated terms of the credit default swap agreement and prevailing market conditions (credit spreads and other relevant factors). These upfront payments are amortized over the term of the contract as a realized gain or loss on the Statement of Operations.

See Note 9 regarding other derivative information.

#### e. Restricted Cash

At September 30, 2014, the Fund received restricted cash in connection with investments in certain derivative securities. Restricted cash is held in a segregated account with the counterparty broker and is reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

#### f. Mortgage Dollar Rolls

The Fund enters into mortgage dollar rolls, typically on a TBA basis. Mortgage dollar rolls are agreements between the Fund and a financial institution to simultaneously sell and repurchase mortgage-backed securities at a future date. Gains or losses are realized on the initial sale, and the difference between the repurchase price and the sale price is recorded as an unrealized gain or loss to the Fund upon entering into the mortgage dollar roll. In addition, the Fund may invest the cash proceeds that are received from the initial sale. During the period between the sale and repurchase, the Fund is not entitled to principal and interest paid on the mortgage backed securities. The risks of mortgage dollar roll transactions include the potential inability of the counterparty to fulfill its obligations.

The Fund is investing in mortgage dollar rolls as an alternate form of leverage. As a result, the mortgage dollar rolls are considered indebtedness or a senior security for purposes of the asset coverage requirements under the 1940 Act.

#### g. Senior Floating Rate Interests

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The Fund invests in senior secured corporate loans that pay interest at rates which are periodically reset by reference to a base lending rate plus a spread. These base lending rates are generally the prime rate offered by a designated U.S. bank or the London InterBank Offered Rate (LIBOR). Senior secured corporate loans often require prepayment of principal from excess cash flows or at the discretion of the borrower. As a result, actual maturity may be substantially less than the stated maturity. Senior secured corporate loans in which the Fund invests are generally readily marketable, but may be subject to certain restrictions on resale.

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#### **h. Income and Deferred Taxes**

It is the Fund's policy to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code. The Fund intends to distribute to shareholders substantially all of its taxable income and net realized gains to relieve it from federal income and excise taxes. As a result, no provision for U.S. federal income taxes is required.

The Fund may be subject to foreign taxation related to income received, capital gains on the sale of securities and certain foreign currency transactions in the foreign jurisdictions in which it invests. Foreign taxes, if any, are recorded based on the tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign markets in which the Fund invests. When a capital gain tax is determined to apply the Fund records an estimated deferred tax liability in an amount that would be payable if the securities were disposed of on the valuation date.

The Fund recognizes the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only when the position is more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities based on the technical merits of the tax position. As of September 30, 2014, and for all open tax years, the Fund has determined that no liability for unrecognized tax benefits is required in the Fund's financial statements related to uncertain tax positions taken on a tax return (or expected to be taken on future tax returns). Open tax years are those that remain subject to examination and are based on each tax jurisdiction statute of limitation.

#### **i. Security Transactions, Investment Income, Expenses and Distributions**

Security transactions are accounted for on trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on a specific identification basis. Interest income and estimated expenses are accrued daily. Amortization of premium and accretion of discount on debt securities are included in interest income. Paydown gains and losses are recorded as an adjustment to interest income. Facility fees are recognized as income over the expected term of the loan. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except that certain dividends from foreign securities are recognized as soon as the Fund is notified of the ex-dividend date. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date and are determined according to income tax regulations (tax basis). Distributable earnings determined on a tax basis may differ from earnings recorded in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These differences

may be permanent or temporary. Permanent differences are reclassified among capital accounts to reflect their tax character. These reclassifications have no impact on net assets or the results of operations. Temporary differences are not reclassified, as they may reverse in subsequent periods.

#### **j. Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **k. Guarantees and Indemnifications**

Under the Trust's organizational documents, its officers and trustees are indemnified by the Trust against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Trust. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The Trust's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. Currently, the Trust expects the risk of loss to be remote.

## **2. Shares of Beneficial Interest**

At September 30, 2014, there were an unlimited number of shares authorized (without par value).

During the period ended September 30, 2014, there were no shares issued; all reinvested distributions were satisfied with previously issued shares purchased in the open market. During the year ended March 31, 2014, there were 3,618 shares issued for \$52,099 from reinvested distributions.

### 3. Auction Rate Preferred Shares

The Fund has outstanding 1,200 Preferred Shares Series M, 1,200 Preferred Shares Series W and 1,200 Preferred Shares Series F, each with a \$25,000 liquidation preference totaling \$90,000,000. Preferred Shares are senior to common shares and the Fund will not declare or pay any dividend on the common shares unless the Fund has declared or paid full cumulative dividends on the Preferred Shares through the most recent dividend date. Dividends to preferred shareholders are cumulative and are declared weekly, at rates established

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**3. Auction Rate Preferred Shares** (continued) The Fund is required to maintain, on a weekly basis, a specified discounted value of its portfolio in compliance with through an auction process. The weekly auctions for Series M, guidelines established by Fitch Ratings and Moody's Investor W and F have all failed during the period ended September 30, Services Inc., and is required to maintain asset coverage for the 2014; consequently, the dividend rate paid on the Preferred Preferred Shares of at least 200%.

Shares has moved to the maximum rate as defined in the prospectus. During the period ended September 30, 2014, the The Preferred Shares are redeemable by the Fund at any time dividends on Preferred Shares ranged from 1.618% to 1.624%. and are subject to mandatory redemption if the asset coverage or discounted value requirements are not met. During the period ended September 30, 2014, all requirements were met.

**4. Transactions with Affiliates**

Franklin Resources, Inc. is the holding company for various subsidiaries that together are referred to as Franklin Templeton Investments. Certain officers and trustees of the Fund are also officers, and/or directors of the following subsidiaries:

| Subsidiary                                     | Affiliation            |
|--|------------------------|
| Franklin Advisers, Inc. (Advisers)             | Investment manager     |
| Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FT Services) | Administrative manager |

**a. Management Fees**

The Fund pays an investment management fee to Advisers of 0.70% per year of the average daily managed assets. Managed assets are defined as the Fund's gross asset value minus the sum of accrued liabilities, other than the liquidation value of the Preferred Shares and other financial leverage.

**b. Administrative Fees**

Under an agreement with Advisers, FT Services provides administrative services to the Fund. The fee is paid by Advisers based on the Fund's average daily managed assets, and is not an additional expense of the Fund.

**c. Investment in Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio**

The Fund invests in Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio (Sweep Money Fund), an affiliated open-end management investment company. Management fees paid by the Fund are waived on assets invested in the Sweep Money Fund, as noted on the Statement of Operations, in an amount not to exceed the management and administrative fees paid directly or indirectly by the Sweep Money Fund.

**5. Expense Offset Arrangement**

The Fund has entered into an arrangement with its custodian whereby credits realized as a result of uninvested cash balances are used to reduce a portion of the Fund's custodian expenses. During the period ended September 30, 2014, the custodian fees were reduced as noted in the Statement of Operations.

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### 6. Income Taxes

For tax purposes, capital losses may be carried over to offset future capital gains. Capital loss carryforwards with no expiration, if any, must be fully utilized before those losses with expiration dates.

At March 31, 2014, the Fund had capital loss carryforwards of \$11,875,503 expiring in 2018.

At September 30, 2014, the cost of investments and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for income tax purposes were as follows:

|  |    |              |
|--|----|--------------|
| Cost of investments                        | \$ | 551,079,607  |
| Unrealized appreciation                    | \$ | 9,331,665    |
| Unrealized depreciation                    |    | (5,600,566 ) |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | \$ | 3,731,099    |

Differences between income and/or capital gains as determined on a book basis and a tax basis are primarily due to differing treatment of mortgage dollar rolls, paydown losses, and swaps.

### 7. Investment Transactions

Purchases and sales of investments (excluding short term securities) for the period ended September 30, 2014, aggregated \$852,418,697 and \$851,447,889, respectively.

### 8. Credit Risk and Defaulted Securities

At September 30, 2014, the Fund had 70.39% of its portfolio invested in high yield, senior secured floating rate notes, or other securities rated below investment grade. These securities may be more sensitive to economic conditions causing greater price volatility and are potentially subject to a greater risk of loss due to default than higher rated securities.

The Fund held a defaulted security and/or other securities for which the income has been deemed uncollectible. At September 30, 2014, the value of this security was \$1,685,000 representing 0.45% of the Fund's net assets. The Fund discontinues accruing income on securities for which income has been deemed uncollectible and provides an estimate for losses on interest receivable. The security has been identified on the accompanying Statement of Investments.

### 9. Other Derivative Information

At September 30, 2014, the Fund's investments in derivative contracts are reflected on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as follows:

|                             | <b>Asset Derivatives</b>                                 |                   | <b>Liability Derivatives</b>                             |                   |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------------|--|-------------------|
| <b>Derivative Contracts</b> | <b>Statement of Assets and</b>                           |                   | <b>Statement of Assets and</b>                           |                   |
| <b>Not Accounted for as</b> | <b>Liabilities Location</b>                              |                   | <b>Liabilities Location</b>                              |                   |
| <b>Hedging Instruments</b>  |  | <b>Fair Value</b> |  | <b>Fair Value</b> |
| Foreign exchange contracts  | Unrealized appreciation on<br>forward exchange contracts | \$ 1,761,166      | Unrealized depreciation on<br>forward exchange contracts | \$ 38,540         |

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|                  |  |        |  |        |
|------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Credit contracts | Unrealized appreciation on<br>swap contracts | 60,168 | Unrealized depreciation on<br>swap contracts | 11,230 |
|------------------|--|--------|--|--------|

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**9. Other Derivative Information** (continued)

For the period ended September 30, 2014, the effect of derivative contracts on the Fund's Statement of Operations was as follows:

| <b>Derivative Contracts</b> |   | <b>Realized</b>       | <b>Change in</b>      |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Not Accounted for as</b> |   | <b>Gain (Loss)</b>    | <b>Unrealized</b>     |
| <b>Hedging Instruments</b>  | <b>Statement of Operations Locations</b>  | <b>for the Period</b> | <b>Appreciation</b>   |
|                             |   |                       | <b>(Depreciation)</b> |
|                             |   |                       | <b>for the Period</b> |
| Foreign exchange contracts  | Net realized gain (loss) from foreign currency transactions / Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies | \$ (199,651 )         | \$ 1,803,074          |
| Credit contracts            | Net realized gain (loss) from swap contracts / Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments  | 126,005               | (67,956 )             |

For the year ended September 30, 2014, the average month end fair value of derivatives represented 0.21% of average month end net assets. The average month end number of open derivative contracts for the year was 43.

At September 30, 2014, the Fund's OTC derivative assets and liabilities, are as follows:

**Gross and Net Amounts of Assets and Liabilities Presented  
in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

|                            |    | <b>Assets<sup>a</sup></b> | <b>Liabilities<sup>a</sup></b> |
|----------------------------|----|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Derivatives</b>         |    |                           |                                |
| Forward exchange contracts | \$ | 1,761,166                 | \$ 38,540                      |
| Swap contracts             |    | 91,840                    | 155,186                        |
| Total                      | \$ | 1,853,006                 | \$ 193,726                     |

<sup>a</sup>Absent an event of default or early termination, OTC derivative assets and liabilities are presented gross and not offset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

At September 30, 2014, the Fund's OTC derivative assets which may be offset against the Fund's OTC derivative liabilities and collateral received from the counterparty, is as follows:

**Amounts Not Offset in the  
Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

| <b>Gross and</b>           | <b>Financial</b>   | <b>Financial</b>   | <b>Cash</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| <b>Net Amounts of</b>      | <b>Instruments</b> | <b>Instruments</b> |             |
| <b>Assets Presented in</b> |                    |                    |             |

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| Counterparty |    | the Statement of<br>Assets and Liabilities | Available for<br>Offset | Collateral<br>Received <sup>a</sup> | Collateral<br>Received | Net<br>Amount<br>(Not less<br>than zero) |
|--------------|----|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| CITI         | \$ | 31,672                                     | \$ (11,230 )            | \$                                  | \$                     | \$ 20,442                                |
| DBAB         |    | 1,414,558                                  | (38,540 )               |                                     | (1,300,000 )           | 76,018                                   |
| FBCO         |    | 60,168                                     | (60,168 )               |                                     |                        |  |
| HSBC         |    | 38,623                                     |                         |                                     |                        | 38,623                                   |
| JPHQ         |    | 307,985                                    |                         | (301,239 )                          |                        | 6,746                                    |
| Total        | \$ | 1,853,006                                  | \$ (109,938 )           | \$ (301,239 )                       | \$ (1,300,000 )        | \$ 141,829                               |

<sup>a</sup>At September 30, 2014, the Fund received U.S. Treasury Notes as collateral for derivatives.

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At September 30, 2014, the Fund's OTC derivative liabilities which may be offset against the Fund's OTC derivative assets and collateral pledged to the counterparty, is as follows:

| Counterparty | Amounts Not Offset in the<br>Statement of Assets and Liabilities                                      |   |   |  |  |
|--------------|---|---|---|--|--|
|              | Gross and<br>Net Amounts of<br>Liabilities Presented in<br>the Statement of<br>Assets and Liabilities | Financial<br>Instruments<br>Available for<br>Offset | Financial<br>Instruments<br>Collateral<br>Pledged | Cash<br>Collateral<br>Pledged <sup>a</sup> | Net<br>Amount<br>(Not less<br>than zero) |
| CITI         | \$ 11,230   | \$ (11,230)   |   |  | \$                                       |
| DBAB         | 38,540  | (38,540)  |   |  |  |
| FBCO         | 143,956   | (60,168)  |   | (83,788)                                   |  |
| Total        | \$ 193,726  | \$ (109,938)  |   | \$ (83,788)                                | \$                                       |

In some instances, the collateral amounts disclosed in the table above were adjusted due to the requirement to limit the collateral amounts to avoid the effect of overcollateralization.

See Note 1(d) regarding derivative financial instruments.

## 10. Fair Value Measurements

The Fund follows a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and the Fund's own market assumptions (unobservable inputs). These inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's financial instruments and are summarized in the following fair value hierarchy:

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments
- Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar financial instruments, interest rates, prepayment speed, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of financial instruments)

The input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with financial instruments at that level.

For movements between the levels within the fair value hierarchy, the Fund has adopted a policy of recognizing the transfers as of the date of the underlying event which caused the movement.

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**10. Fair Value Measurements** (continued)

A summary of inputs used as of September 30, 2014, in valuing the Fund's assets and liabilities carried at fair value, is as follows:

|   | Level 1       | Level 2        | Level 3      | Total          |
|---|---------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| <b>Assets:</b>  |               |                |              |                |
| Investments in Securities:  |               |                |              |                |
| Equity Investments: <sup>a</sup>                                  |               |                |              |                |
| Materials   | \$            | \$ 277,500     | \$           | \$ 277,500     |
| Transportation  |               | 399,679        |              | 399,679        |
| Corporate Bonds   |               | 184,953,648    |              | 184,953,648    |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests                                    |               | 189,585,743    |              | 189,585,743    |
| Foreign Government and Agency Securities                          |               | 4,812,712      |              | 4,812,712      |
| Asset-Backed Securities and Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities |               |                |              |                |
| Securities  |               | 42,490,446     | 910,000      | 43,400,446     |
| Mortgage-Backed Securities  |               | 115,050,648    |              | 115,050,648    |
| Municipal Bonds   |               | 4,344,390      |              | 4,344,390      |
| Litigation Trust  |               |                | b            | b              |
| Short Term Investments  | 11,682,611    | 303,329        |              | 11,985,940     |
| Total Investments in Securities                                   | \$ 11,682,611 | \$ 543,128,095 | \$ 910,000 b | \$ 554,810,706 |
| Other Financial Instruments                                       |               |                |              |                |
| Forward Exchange Contracts  | \$            | \$ 1,761,166   | \$           | \$ 1,761,166   |
| Swap Contracts  |               | 60,168         |              | 60,168         |
| Total Other Financial Instruments                                 | \$            | \$ 1,821,334   | \$           | \$ 1,821,334   |
| <b>Liabilities:</b>   |               |                |              |                |
| Other Financial Instruments                                       |               |                |              |                |
| Forward Exchange Contracts  | \$            | \$ 38,540      | \$           | \$ 38,540      |
| Swap Contracts  |               | 11,230         |              | 11,230         |
| Total Other Financial Instruments                                 | \$            | \$ 49,770      | \$           | \$ 49,770      |

<sup>a</sup>Includes common and convertible preferred stocks.

<sup>b</sup>Includes securities determined to have no value at September 30, 2014.

A reconciliation of assets in which Level 3 inputs are used in determining fair value is presented when there are significant Level 3 financial instruments at the end of the period.

## **11. New Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-11, Transfers and Servicing (Topic 860), Repurchase-to-Maturity Transactions, Repurchase Financings, and Disclosures. The ASU changes the accounting for certain repurchase agreements and expands disclosure requirements related to repurchase agreements, securities lending, repurchase-to-maturity and similar transactions. The ASU is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2014. Management is currently evaluating the impact, if any, of applying this provision.

## **12. Subsequent Events**

The Fund has evaluated subsequent events through the issuance of the financial statements and determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

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**Abbreviations**

**Counterparty**

|             |                        |
|-------------|------------------------|
| <b>CITI</b> | Citibank N.A.          |
| <b>DBAB</b> | Deutsche Bank AG       |
| <b>FBCO</b> | Credit Suisse Group AG |
| <b>HSBC</b> | HSBC Bank USA, N.A.    |
| <b>JPHQ</b> | JP Morgan Chase & Co.  |

**Currency**

|            |                   |
|------------|-------------------|
| <b>EUR</b> | Euro              |
| <b>GBP</b> | British Pound     |
| <b>KRW</b> | South Korean Won  |
| <b>MYR</b> | Malaysian Ringgit |
| <b>PLN</b> | Polish Zloty      |

**Selected Portfolio**

|            |                                |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>CDO</b> | Collateralized Debt Obligation |
| <b>CLO</b> | Collateralized Loan Obligation |
| <b>FRN</b> | Floating Rate Note             |
| <b>PIK</b> | Payment-In-Kind                |
| <b>SF</b>  | Single Family                  |
| <b>USD</b> | Unified/Union School District  |

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## Shareholder Information

### Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

The Fund's investment manager has established Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures (Policies) that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities. Shareholders may view the Fund's complete Policies online at [franklintempleton.com](http://franklintempleton.com). Alternatively, shareholders may request copies of the Policies free of charge by calling the Proxy Group collect at (954) 527-7678 or by sending a written request to: Franklin Templeton Companies, LLC, 300 S.E. 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, Attention: Proxy Group. Copies of the Fund's proxy voting records are also made available online at [franklintempleton.com](http://franklintempleton.com) and posted on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's website at [sec.gov](http://sec.gov) and reflect the most recent 12-month period ended June 30.

### Quarterly Statement of Investments

The Fund files a complete statement of investments with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for the first and third quarters for each fiscal year on Form N-Q. Shareholders may view the filed Form N-Q by visiting the Commission's website at [sec.gov](http://sec.gov). The filed form may also be viewed and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information regarding the operations of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.

### Certifications

The Fund's Chief Executive Officer - Finance and Administration is required by NYSE MKT's Listing Standards to file annually with the Exchange a certification that she is not aware of any violation by the Fund of the Exchange's Corporate Governance Standards applicable to the Fund. The Fund has filed such certification.

In addition, the Fund's Chief Executive Officer - Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer are required by the rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to provide certain certifications with respect to the Fund's Form N-CSR and Form N-CSRS (which include the Fund's annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders) that are filed semiannually with the Commission. The Fund has filed such certifications with its Form N-CSR for the year ended March 31, 2014. Additionally, the Fund expects to file, on or about November 28, 2014, such certifications with its Form N-CSRS for the six months ended September 30, 2014.

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**Item 2. Code of Ethics.**

(a) The Registrant has adopted a code of ethics that applies to its principal executive officers and principal financial and accounting officer.

(c) N/A

(d) N/A

(f) Pursuant to Item 12(a)(1), the Registrant is attaching as an exhibit a copy of its code of ethics that applies to its principal executive officers and principal financial and accounting officer.

**Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert.**

(a)(1) The Registrant has an audit committee financial expert serving on its audit committee.

(2) The audit committee financial expert is John B. Wilson and he is "independent" as defined under the relevant Securities and Exchange Commission Rules and Releases.

**Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services. N/A**

**Item 5. Audit Committee of Listed Registrants.**

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Members of the Audit Committee are: Mary C. Choksi, Michael Luttig, Larry D. Thompson and John B. Wilson.

### **Item 6. Schedule of Investments.**

**N/A**

### **Item 7. Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies.**

The board of trustees of the Fund has delegated the authority to vote proxies related to the portfolio securities held by the Fund to the Fund's investment manager Franklin Advisers, Inc. in accordance with the Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures (Policies) adopted by the investment manager.

The investment manager has delegated its administrative duties with respect to the voting of proxies for equity securities to the Proxy Group within Franklin Templeton Companies, LLC (Proxy Group), an affiliate and wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. All proxies received by the Proxy Group will be voted based upon the investment manager's instructions and/or policies. The investment manager votes proxies solely in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders.

To assist it in analyzing proxies, the investment manager subscribes to Institutional Shareholder Services, Inc. (ISS), an unaffiliated third-party corporate governance research service that provides in-depth analyses of shareholder meeting agendas, vote recommendations, vote execution services, ballot reconciliation services, recordkeeping and vote disclosure services. In addition, the investment manager subscribes to Glass, Lewis & Co., LLC (Glass Lewis), an unaffiliated third-party analytical research firm, to receive

analyses and vote recommendations on the shareholder meetings of publicly held U.S. companies, as well as a limited subscription to its international research. Although ISS' and/or Glass Lewis' analyses are thoroughly reviewed and considered in making a final voting decision, the investment manager does not consider recommendations from ISS, Glass Lewis or any other third party to be determinative of the investment manager's ultimate decision. Rather, the investment manager exercises its independent judgment in making voting decisions. As a matter of policy, the officers, directors/trustees and employees of the investment manager and the Proxy Group will not be influenced by outside sources whose interests conflict with the interests of the Fund and its shareholders. Efforts are made to resolve all conflicts in the best interests of the investment manager's clients. Material conflicts of interest are identified by the Proxy Group based upon analyses of client, distributor, broker-dealer and vendor lists, information periodically gathered from directors and officers, and information derived from other sources, including public filings. In situations where a material conflict of interest is identified, the Proxy Group may defer to the voting recommendation of ISS, Glass Lewis or those of another independent third-party provider of proxy services; or send the proxy directly to the Fund's board or a committee of the board with the investment manager's recommendation regarding the vote for approval.

Where a material conflict of interest has been identified, but the items on which the investment manager's vote recommendations differ from Glass Lewis, ISS, or another independent third-party provider of proxy services relate specifically to (1) shareholder proposals regarding social or environmental issues, (2) "Other Business" without describing the matters that might be considered, or (3) items the investment manager wishes to vote in opposition to the recommendations of an issuer's management, the Proxy Group may defer to the vote recommendations of the investment manager rather than sending the proxy directly to the Fund's board or a board committee for approval.

To avoid certain potential conflicts of interest, the investment manager will employ echo voting, if possible, in the following instances: (1) when the Fund invests in an underlying fund in reliance on any one of Sections 12(d) (1) (E), (F), or (G) of the 1940 Act, the rules thereunder, or pursuant to a SEC exemptive order thereunder; (2) when the Fund invests uninvested cash in affiliated money market funds pursuant to the rules under the 1940 Act or any exemptive orders thereunder ("cash sweep arrangement"); or (3) when required pursuant to the Fund's governing documents or applicable law. Echo voting means that the investment manager will vote the shares in the same proportion as the vote of all of the other holders of the underlying fund's shares.

The recommendation of management on any issue is a factor that the investment manager considers in determining how proxies should be voted. However, the investment manager does not consider recommendations from management to be

determinative of the investment manager's ultimate decision. As a matter of practice, the votes with respect to most issues are cast in accordance with the position of the company's management. Each issue, however, is considered on its own merits, and the investment manager will not support the position of the company's management in any situation where it deems that the ratification of management's position would adversely affect the investment merits of owning that company's shares.

**Investment manager's proxy voting policies and principles** The investment manager has adopted general proxy voting guidelines, which are summarized below. These guidelines are not an exhaustive list of all the issues that may

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arise and the investment manager cannot anticipate all future situations. In all cases, each proxy will be considered based on the relevant facts and circumstances.

*Board of directors.* The investment manager supports an independent board of directors, and prefers that key committees such as audit, nominating, and compensation committees be comprised of independent directors. The investment manager will generally vote against management efforts to classify a board and will generally support proposals to declassify the board of directors. The investment manager will consider withholding votes from directors who have attended less than 75% of meetings without a valid reason. While generally in favor of separating Chairman and CEO positions, the investment manager will review this issue as well as proposals to restore or provide for cumulative voting on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration factors such as the company's corporate governance guidelines or provisions and performance. The investment manager generally will support non-binding shareholder proposals to require a majority vote standard for the election of directors; however, if these proposals are binding, the investment manager will give careful review on a case-by-case basis of the potential ramifications of such implementation.

In the event of a contested election, the investment manager will review a number of factors in making a decision including management's track record, the company's financial performance, qualifications of candidates on both slates, and the strategic plan of the dissidents.

*Ratification of auditors of portfolio companies.* The investment manager will closely scrutinize the independence, role and performance of auditors. On a case-by-case basis, the investment manager will examine proposals relating to non-audit relationships and non-audit fees. The investment manager will also consider, on a case-by-case basis, proposals to rotate auditors, and will vote against the ratification of auditors when there is clear and compelling evidence of a lack of independence, accounting irregularities or negligence. The investment manager may also consider whether the ratification of auditors has been approved by an appropriate audit committee that meets applicable composition and independence requirements.

*Management and director compensation.* A company's equity-based compensation plan should be in alignment with the shareholders' long-term interests. The investment manager believes that executive compensation should be directly linked to the performance of the company. The investment manager evaluates plans on a case-by-case basis by considering several factors to determine whether the plan is fair and reasonable, including the ISS quantitative model utilized to assess such plans and/or the Glass Lewis evaluation of the plans. The investment manager will generally oppose plans that have the potential to be excessively dilutive, and will almost always oppose plans that are structured to allow the repricing of underwater options, or plans that have an

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automatic share replenishment "evergreen" feature. The investment manager will generally support employee stock option plans in which the purchase price is at least 85% of fair market value, and when potential dilution is 10% or less.

Severance compensation arrangements will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, although the investment manager will generally oppose "golden parachutes" that are considered to be excessive. The investment manager will normally support proposals that require a percentage of directors' compensation to be in the form of common stock, as it aligns their interests with those of shareholders.

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The investment manager will review non-binding say-on-pay proposals on a case-by-case basis, and will generally vote in favor of such proposals unless compensation is misaligned with performance and/or shareholders' interests, the company has not provided reasonably clear disclosure regarding its compensation practices, or there are concerns with the company's remuneration practices.

*Anti-takeover mechanisms and related issues.* The investment manager generally opposes anti-takeover measures since they tend to reduce shareholder rights. However, as with all proxy issues, the investment manager conducts an independent review of each anti-takeover proposal. On occasion, the investment manager may vote with management when the research analyst has concluded that the proposal is not onerous and would not harm the Fund or its shareholders' interests. The investment manager generally supports proposals that require shareholder rights' plans ("poison pills") to be subject to a shareholder vote and will closely evaluate such plans on a case-by-case basis to determine whether or not they warrant support. In addition, the investment manager will generally vote against any proposal to issue stock that has unequal or subordinate voting rights. The investment manager generally opposes any supermajority voting requirements as well as the payment of "greenmail." The investment manager generally supports "fair price" provisions and confidential voting. The investment manager will review a company's proposal to reincorporate to a different state or country on a case-by-case basis taking into consideration financial benefits such as tax treatment as well as comparing corporate governance provisions and general business laws that may result from the change in domicile.

*Changes to capital structure.* The investment manager realizes that a company's financing decisions have a significant impact on its shareholders, particularly when they involve the issuance of additional shares of common or preferred stock or the assumption of additional debt. The investment manager will review, on a case-by-case basis, proposals by companies to increase authorized shares and the purpose for the increase. The investment manager will generally not vote in favor of dual-class capital structures to increase the number of authorized shares where that class of stock would have superior voting rights. The investment manager will generally vote in favor of the issuance of preferred stock in cases where the company specifies the voting, dividend, conversion and other rights of such stock and the terms of the preferred stock issuance are deemed reasonable. The investment manager will review proposals seeking preemptive rights on a case-by-case basis.

*Mergers and corporate restructuring.* Mergers and acquisitions will be subject to careful review by the research analyst to determine whether they would be beneficial to shareholders. The investment manager will analyze various economic and strategic factors in making the final decision on a merger or acquisition. Corporate restructuring proposals are also subject to a thorough examination on a case-by-case basis.

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*Environment, social and governance issues.* The investment manager will generally give management discretion with regard to social, environmental and ethical issues, although the investment manager may vote in favor of those that are believed to have significant economic benefits or implications for the Fund and its shareholders. The investment manager generally supports the right of shareholders to call special meetings and act by written consent. However, the investment manager will review such shareholder proposals on a case-by-case basis in an effort to ensure that such proposals do not disrupt the course of business or require a disproportionate or inappropriate use of company resources. The investment manager will consider supporting a shareholder

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proposal seeking disclosure and greater board oversight of lobbying and corporate political contributions if the investment manager believes that there is evidence of inadequate oversight by the company's board, if the company's current disclosure is significantly deficient, or if the disclosure is notably lacking in comparison to the company's peers. The investment manager will consider on a case-by-case basis any well-drafted and reasonable proposals for proxy access considering such factors as the size of the company, ownership thresholds and holding periods, responsiveness of management, intentions of the shareholder proponent, company performance, and shareholder base.

*Global corporate governance.* Many of the tenets discussed above are applied to the investment manager's proxy voting decisions for international investments. However, the investment manager must be flexible in these worldwide markets. Principles of good corporate governance may vary by country, given the constraints of a country's laws and acceptable practices in the markets. As a result, it is on occasion difficult to apply a consistent set of governance practices to all issuers. As experienced money managers, the investment manager's analysts are skilled in understanding the complexities of the regions in which they specialize and are trained to analyze proxy issues germane to their regions.

The investment manager will generally attempt to process every proxy it receives for all domestic and foreign securities. However, there may be situations in which the investment manager may be unable to vote a proxy, or may choose not to vote a proxy, such as where: (i) the proxy ballot was not received from the custodian bank; (ii) a meeting notice was received too late; (iii) there are fees imposed upon the exercise of a vote and it is determined that such fees outweigh the benefit of voting; (iv) there are legal encumbrances to voting, including blocking restrictions in certain markets that preclude the ability to dispose of a security if the investment manager votes a proxy or where the investment manager is prohibited from voting by applicable law or other regulatory or market requirements, including but not limited to, effective Powers of Attorney; (v) the investment manager held shares on the record date but has sold them prior to the meeting date; (vi) proxy voting service is not offered by the custodian in the market; (vii) the investment manager believes it is not in the best interest of the Fund or its shareholders to vote the proxy for any other reason not enumerated herein; or (viii) a security is subject to a securities lending or similar program that has transferred legal title to the security to another person. In some foreign jurisdictions, even if the investment manager uses reasonable efforts to vote a proxy on behalf of the Fund, such vote or proxy may be rejected because of (a) operational or procedural issues experienced by one or more third parties involved in voting proxies in such jurisdictions; (b) changes in the process or agenda for the meeting by the issuer for which the investment manager does not have sufficient notice; and (c) the exercise by the issuer of its discretion to reject the vote of the investment manager. The investment manager or its affiliates may, on behalf of one or more of the proprietary registered investment companies advised by the investment manager or its affiliates, determine to use its best efforts to recall any security on loan where the investment manager or its affiliates (a) learn of a vote on a material event

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that may affect a security on loan and (b) determine that it is in the best interests of such proprietary registered investment companies to recall the security for voting purposes.

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request to: Franklin Templeton Companies, LLC, 300 S.E. 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-1923, Attention: Proxy Group. Copies of the Fund's proxy voting records are available online at franklintempleton.com and posted on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. The proxy voting records are updated each year by August 31 to reflect the most recent 12-month period ended June 30.

**Item 8. Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies. N/A**

**Item 9. Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed-End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers. N/A**

**Item 10. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

There have been no changes to the procedures by which shareholders may recommend nominees to the Registrant's Board of Trustees that would require disclosure herein.

**Item 11. Controls and Procedures.**

**(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.** The Registrant maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Registrant's filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information is accumulated and communicated to the Registrant's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Registrant's management, including the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer, recognizes that any set of controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

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Within 90 days prior to the filing date of this Shareholder Report on Form N-CSR, the Registrant had carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Registrant's management, including the Registrant's principal executive officer and the Registrant's principal financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures. Based on such evaluation, the Registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

**(b) Changes in Internal Controls.** There have been no changes in the Registrant's internal controls or in other factors that could materially affect the internal controls over financial reporting subsequent to the date of their evaluation in connection with the preparation of this Shareholder Report on Form N-CSR.

### **Item 12. Exhibits.**

**(a) (1)** Code of Ethics

**(a) (2)** Certifications pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 of Laura F. Ferguson, Chief Executive Officer - Finance and Administration, and Gaston Gardey, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

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(b) Certifications pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 of Laura F. Ferguson, Chief Executive Officer - Finance and Administration, and Gaston Gardey, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

**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.

**Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust**

By /s/LAURA F. FERGERSON

Laura F. Ferguson

Chief Executive Officer -

Finance and Administration

Date November 25, 2014

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/LAURA F. FERGERSON

Laura F. Ferguson

Chief Executive Officer -

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By /s/GASTON GARDEY

Gaston Gardey

Chief Financial Officer and

Chief Accounting Officer

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