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**FORM 10-K**

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number **000-55323**

**Mentor Capital, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**77-0395098**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**5964 Campus Court, Plano, Texas 75093**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(760) 788-4700**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **N/A**

**Title of each class to be so registered**

**Trading Symbols (s)**

**Name of each exchange on  
which each class is to be registered**

Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act:

**Common Stock**

(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Yes  No

**Note** – Checking the box above will not relieve any registrant required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act from their obligations under those Sections.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files).

Yes  No

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Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer   
Smaller reporting Company  Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report.

Yes  No

If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any of the registrant's executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b).

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

At June 30, 2022, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, the aggregate market value of Common Shares held by non-affiliates of Mentor Capital, Inc. (based upon the closing sale price of such shares on OTCQB) was \$917,654. Shares of Common Stock held by each officer and director and each person who owns more than 10% or more of the outstanding Common Stock have been excluded because these persons may be deemed to be affiliates. The determination of affiliate status for the purpose of this calculation is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.

At March 27, 2023, there were 22,941,357 shares of Mentor Capital, Inc.'s Common Stock outstanding and 11 shares of Series Q Preferred Stock outstanding.

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## SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains “forward-looking statements,” as defined in the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act 1934, as amended. All statements contained in this report other than statements of historical fact, including statements regarding our future results of operations and financial position, our business strategy and plans, and our objectives for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words “believe,” “may,” “will,” “estimate,” “continue,” “anticipate,” “seek,” “look,” “hope,” “intend,” “expect,” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy, short-term and long-term business operations and objectives, and financial needs. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties, and assumptions. For example, statements in this Form 10-K regarding the potential future impact of inflation, interest rate increases, tax increases, recession, climate regulation, the COVID-19 outbreak, economic sanctions, cybersecurity risks, and the outbreak of war in Ukraine on the Company’s business and results of operations are forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, those described in “Item 1A. Risk Factors” and “Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Critical Accounting Policies – Impact Related to COVID-19 and Global Economic Factors.” Moreover, due to our past investments in the cannabis-related industry or other industries, we may be subject to heightened scrutiny and, as a result, our portfolio companies may be subject to additional laws, rules, regulations, and statutes. It is not possible for our management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements we may make. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the future events and trends discussed in this Form 10-K may not occur and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements.

You should not rely upon forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. The events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements may not be achieved or occur. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements. The Company assumes no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements for any reason, except as required by law.

All references in this Form 10-K to the “Company,” “Mentor,” “we,” “us,” or “our,” are to Mentor Capital, Inc.

MENTOR CAPITAL, INC.

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## PART I

### Item 1. Business.

#### *Corporate History and Background*

Mentor Capital, Inc. (“Mentor” or “the Company”), which reincorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware in September 2015, was founded as an investment partnership in Silicon Valley, California by the current CEO in 1985. The Company was originally incorporated under the laws of the State of California in 1994 as Main Street Athletic Clubs, Inc. and operated a small chain of athletic clubs, a trucking company, and food companies, among other things. On September 12, 1996, our Offering Statement was qualified pursuant to Regulation A under Section 3(b) of the Securities Act of 1933 and on March 12, 1997 we began to trade publicly. In 1997, the Company changed its name to Main Street AC, Inc. and merged with a group of approximately fifteen oil and gas partnerships which proved to be unsuccessful. In 1998 we entered a Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization in the Northern District of California due to a need to decrease oil and gas related debt in excess of asset value.

As we emerged from bankruptcy, the court allowed the original issuance of approximately \$145 Million in warrants to the Company’s claimants and creditors. The warrants were in (4) four classes, have been reset to lower prices, and have been principally exercised at \$0.09, \$0.11, \$0.65, \$1.00, \$1.60, and \$7.00 per share. The outstanding Series D warrants are exercisable at \$1.60 per share, at which price we may receive as much as \$10 Million in warrant proceeds. The amount of proceeds received from exercised warrants may be limited by the general status of the economy and the price per share of our regular shares of Common Stock. Warrant holders are more likely to exercise warrants at \$1.60 per warrant share if the shares of our Common Stock are priced above \$1.60 per share. The longer the Company’s Common Stock share price is above \$1.60, the more likely warrant holders will be willing to exercise their warrants. If the Common Stock share price is less than \$1.60 for a long period of time, the Company may also decide to lower the exercise price of outstanding warrants to entice warrant holders to exercise their warrants and invest in the Company. The amount of potential funds received by the Company from such exercises will decrease as the warrant exercise price decreases.

On February 9, 2015, in accordance with Section 1145 of the United States Bankruptcy Code and the Company’s Third Amended Plan of Reorganization (“Plan of Reorganization”), the Company announced a minimum 30 day partial redemption of up to 1% of the already outstanding Series D warrants to provide for the court specified redemption mechanism for warrants not exercised timely by the original holder or their estates. Company designees that applied during the 30 days paid 10 cents per warrant to redeem the warrant and then exercised the Series D warrant to purchase a share of the Company’s Common Stock at the court specified formula of not more than one-half of the closing bid price on the day preceding the 30 day exercise period. In successive months, the authorized partial warrant redemption amount was recalculated, and the redemption offer repeated according to the court formula. In the Company’s October 7, 2016 press release, Mentor stated that the 1% redemptions which were formerly priced on a calendar month schedule would subsequently be initiated and priced on a random date schedule after the prior 1% redemption was completed to prevent potential third-party manipulation of share prices at month-end. The periodic partial redemptions could continue to be recalculated and repeated until such unexercised warrants are exhausted, or the partial redemption is otherwise paused or truncated by the Company. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, no warrants were redeemed.

The Bankruptcy Court approved Plan of Reorganization allows all the warrants and shares that are issued upon exercise of the warrants to trade freely under an exemption provided by Section 1145 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. We received an SEC “No Comment” letter and our Plan of Reorganization was confirmed January 11, 2000. The SEC’s letter is not and should not be interpreted as approval of the Company’s Disclosure Statement or Plan of Reorganization.

#### *Recent Developments*

Currently, our general business operations are intended to provide management consultation and headquarters functions, especially with regard to accounting and audits, for our majority-owned subsidiaries, which makes up most of our holdings. We monitor our less than majority positions for value and investment security. Management also spends considerable effort reviewing possible acquisition candidates on an ongoing basis.

In 2009, the Company began focusing its investing activities in leading-edge cancer companies. In early 2013, in response to government limitations on reimbursement for highly technical and expensive cancer treatments, and a resulting business decline in the cancer immunotherapy sector, the Company decided to exit that space. On August 29, 2013, the Company began to divest of its cancer assets and focus future investments in the medical marijuana and cannabis sector. The Company has since expanded its target industry focus which now includes energy, manufacturing, and management services with the goal of ensuring increased market opportunities for investment.

#### *Electrum Partners, LLC*

On November 18, 2022, following the filing of a declaratory relief action, Mentor received \$459,990 from Electrum Partners, LLC (“Electrum”) in consolidated settlement of one equity, one recovery purchase, and two secured capital agreements, which were accounted for as set forth hereinbelow. Prior to the settlement, the Company had an equity interest in Electrum which was carried at cost of \$194,028 at September 30, 2022 and \$194,028 at December 31, 2021, respectively. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$63,324 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company’s October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. The Company had 0 and 6,198 Electrum membership interest units and a 0% and 6.69% equity interest in Electrum at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

On October 30, 2018, the Company entered into a Recovery Purchase Agreement with Electrum to purchase a portion of Electrum’s potential recovery in its legal action captioned *Electrum Partners, LLC, Plaintiff, and Aurora Cannabis Inc., Defendant*, in the Supreme Court of British Columbia (“Litigation”). As of September 30, 2022, and December 31, 2021, Mentor had provided \$196,666 and \$196,666, respectively, in capital for payment of Litigation costs. In exchange, after repayment to Mentor of all funds invested for payment of Litigation costs, Mentor was to receive 19% of anything of value received by Electrum as a result of the Litigation (“Recovery”). On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$196,666 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the filing of the Company’s October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo.

On October 31, 2018, Mentor entered into a secured Capital Agreement with Electrum and invested an additional \$100,000 in Electrum. Under the Capital Agreement, on the payment date, Electrum will pay Mentor the sum of (i) \$100,000, (ii) ten percent (10%) of the Recovery, and (iii) 0.083334% of the Recovery for each full month from October 31, 2018 to the payment date for each full month that \$833 is not paid to Mentor. The payment date for the Capital Agreement was the earlier of November 1, 2021, or the final resolution of the Litigation. Due to the coronavirus and the resulting delay in the trial date of the Litigation, on November 1, 2021 the parties amended the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement for the purpose of extending the payment to the earlier of November 1, 2023, or the final resolution of the Litigation and increasing the monthly payment payable by Electrum to \$834. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$100,000 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the filing of the Company’s October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo.

On January 28, 2019, the Company entered into a second secured Capital Agreement with Electrum and invested an additional \$100,000 in Electrum with payment terms similar to the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement. On November 1, 2021, the parties also amended the January 28, 2019 Capital Agreement to extend the payment date to the earlier of November 1, 2023, or the final resolution of the Litigation and increasing the monthly payment payable by Electrum to \$834. As part of the January 28, 2019 Capital Agreement, Mentor was granted an option to convert its 6,198 membership interests in Electrum into a cash payment of \$194,028 plus an additional 19.4% of the Recovery. Under the Security Agreement, all liabilities and investments owed to Mentor from Electrum were secured by all of the tangible and intangible assets of Electrum. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$100,000 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the filing of the Company’s October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### *Mentor IP, LLC*

On April 18, 2016, the Company formed Mentor IP, LLC (“MCIP”), a South Dakota limited liability company and wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor. MCIP was formed to hold interests related to patent rights obtained on April 4, 2016, when Mentor Capital, Inc. entered into that certain “Larson - Mentor Capital, Inc. Patent and License Fee Facility with Agreement Provisions for an — 80% / 20% Domestic Economic Interest — 50% / 50% Foreign Economic Interest” with R. L. Larson and Larson Capital, LLC (“MCIP Agreement”). Pursuant to the MCIP Agreement, MCIP obtained rights to an international patent application for foreign THC and CBD cannabis vape pens under the provisions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty of 1970, as amended. R. L. Larson continued its efforts to obtain exclusive licensing rights in the United States for THC and CBD vape pens for various THC and CBD percentage ranges and concentrations. Activity in has been limited to payment of patent application maintenance fees in Canada. On January 21, 2020, the United States Patent and Trademark Office granted a Notice of Allowance for the United States patent application and on May 5, 2020, the United States patent was issued. On June 29, 2020, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office granted a Notice of Allowance for the Canada patent and on September 22, 2020, the Canadian patent was issued. Patent application national phase maintenance fees were expensed when paid and there were no assets related to MCIP patents represented on the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

*NeuCourt, Inc.*

On November 22, 2017, the Company invested \$25,000 in NeuCourt, Inc. (“NeuCourt”) as a convertible note receivable. The note bore interest at 5% per annum, originally matured November 22, 2019, and was amended on November 7, 2019 to extend the maturity date to November 22, 2021. No payments are required prior to maturity. However, at the time the November 22, 2017 note was initially extended, interest accrued through November 4, 2019, was remitted to Mentor. As consideration for the initial extension of the maturity date for the \$25,000 note, a warrant to purchase up to 25,000 shares of NeuCourt common stock at \$0.02 per share was issued to Mentor. On November 5, 2021, the parties amended the note to extend the November 22, 2021 maturity date to November 22, 2023. A warrant to purchase 27,630 shares of NeuCourt common stock at \$0.02 per share was issued to Mentor in exchange for the extension of the maturity date.

On October 31, 2018, the Company invested an additional \$50,000 as a convertible note receivable in NeuCourt, which bears interest at 5%, originally matured October 31, 2020, and was amended to extend the maturity date to October 31, 2022. As consideration for the extension of the maturity date for the \$50,000 note plus accrued interest of \$5,132, a warrant to purchase up to 52,500 shares of NeuCourt common stock at \$0.02 per share was issued to Mentor.

Principal and unpaid interest on the Notes could have been converted into a blend of shares of a to-be-created series of Preferred Stock and Common Stock of NeuCourt (i) on closing of a future financing round of at least \$750,000, (ii) on the election of NeuCourt on maturity of the Note, or (iii) on election of Mentor following NeuCourt’s election to prepay the Note. On June 13, 2022, the Company sold \$2,160.80 in note principal to a third party, thereby reducing the principal face value of the note to \$47,839.

On July 15, 2022, the Company and NeuCourt entered into an Exchange Agreement by which Mentor exchanged the principal amount and all accrued unpaid interest on the convertible notes for a Simple Agreement for Future Equity (“SAFE”) equal to the same, accumulated amount. The SAFE will be reported at cost.

On July 22, 2022, the Company sold \$989 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party. On August 1, 2022, the Company sold an additional \$1,285 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party, thereby reducing the aggregate outstanding SAFE Purchase Amount to \$83,756. See Note 7.

Subsequent to year end, on January 20, 2023, the Company and NeuCourt entered into a SAFE Purchase Agreement by which the Company invested an additional \$10,000 in the form of a NeuCourt Simple Agreement for Future Equity under the same terms as the previous July 15, 2022 SAFE Purchase Agreement between NeuCourt and the Company. See Note 23.

On December 21, 2018, the Company purchased 500,000 shares of NeuCourt Common Stock for \$10,000. This represents approximately 6.127% of the issued and outstanding NeuCourt shares at December 31, 2022. NeuCourt is a Delaware corporation that is developing a technology that is expected to be useful to the dispute resolution industry.

*G FarmaLabs Limited*

On March 17, 2017, the Company entered into a Notes Purchase Agreement with G FarmaLabs Limited, a Nevada corporation (“G Farma”), with operations in Washington that had planned operations in California under two temporary licenses pending completion of its Desert Hot Springs, California, location. Under the Agreement the Company purchased two secured promissory notes from G Farma in an aggregate principal face amount of \$500,000. Subsequent to the initial investment, the Company executed eight addenda. Addendum II through Addendum VIII increased the aggregate principal face amount of the two notes to \$1,100,000 and increased the combined monthly payments on the notes to \$10,239 per month beginning March 15, 2019 with a balloon payment on the notes of approximately \$894,172 due at maturity. G Farma had not made scheduled payments on the notes receivable since February 19, 2019 and the notes were fully reserved at December 31, 2022 and 2021. See Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

On March 14, 2019, the Company was notified by G Farma that, on February 22, 2019, the City of Corona Building Department closed access to G Farma’s corporate location and posted a notice preventing entry to the facility. The notice cited unpermitted modifications to electrical, mechanical, and plumbing, including all undetermined building modifications, as the reason for the closure.

On April 24, 2019, the Company was informed that certain G Farma assets at G Farma’s corporate location, including equipment leased to G Farma by Mentor Partner I, LLC valued at approximately \$427,804, were impounded by the City of Corona on or around February 22, 2019. This event significantly impacted G Farma’s financial position and its ability to make payments under the finance leases receivable and notes receivable due to the Company. See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements. G Farma has not made scheduled payments on the finance lease receivable or the notes receivable since February 19, 2019, and Company management feels it is unlikely we will recover the full amounts due us.

In 2020, the Company repossessed leased equipment under G Farma's control with a cost of \$622,670 and sold it to the highest offerors for net proceeds of \$348,734, after shipping and delivery costs. Net sales proceeds were applied against the finance lease receivable. The remaining finance lease receivable balance of \$803,399 and \$803,399 is fully impaired at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

In 2019, we fully impaired G Farma notes receivable of \$1,045,051, accrued interest of \$28,680, and our investment in the G Farma contractual interest in legal recovery of \$600,002. The Company's equity investment in G Farma Entities, previously valued at \$41,600, was also impaired and reduced to \$0. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, these investments remain fully impaired.

On May 28, 2019, Mentor Capital, Inc. and Mentor Partner I, LLC filed a complaint against the G Farma Entities and three guarantors to the G Farma agreements, described herein and in Note 20, in the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Company was primarily seeking monetary damages for breach of the G Farma agreements, including promissory notes, leases, and other agreements, as well as actions for an injunction to recover leased property, to recover collateral under a security agreement, and to collect from guarantors on the agreements, among other things.

On January 22, 2020, the Court granted the Company's motion for writ of possession and preliminary injunction prohibiting defendants from retaining control of or selling leased property. On January 31, 2020, all remaining equipment leased to G Farma by Mentor Partner I which was not impounded by the Corona Police was repossessed by the Company and moved to storage under the Company's control. All repossessed equipment was sold in 2020; see Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

On July 2, 2020, Mentor Capital, Inc. and Mentor Partner I, LLC filed a motion for summary adjudication seeking judgment on four of its sixteen causes of action related to breach of the Promissory Notes and the related guarantees. On November 4, 2020, the Court granted Mentor Capital, Inc.'s and Mentor Partner I's motion for summary adjudication as to all four causes of action: both causes of action against G FarmaLabs Limited for breach of the two promissory notes totaling \$1,166,570.62 and one cause of action against each of Mr. Gonzalez and Ms. Gonzalez related to their duties as guarantors of G FarmaLabs Limited's obligations under the promissory notes.

On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities and guarantors ("G Farma Settlers") to resolve and settle all outstanding claims ("Settlement Agreement"). The Settlement Agreement requires the G Farma Settlers to pay the Company an aggregate of \$500,000 plus interest, payable monthly as follows: (i) \$500 per month for 12 months beginning on September 5, 2021, (ii) \$1,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2022, (iii) \$2,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2023, and (iv) increasing by an additional \$1,000 per month on each succeeding September 5th thereafter, until the settlement amount and accrued unpaid interest are paid in full. Interest on the unpaid balance shall initially accrue at the rate of 4.25% per annum, commencing February 25, 2021, compounded monthly, and shall be adjusted on February 25th of each year to equal the Prime Rate as published in the Wall Street Journal plus 1%. In the event that the G Farma Settlers fail to make any monthly payment and have on two occasions not cured such default within 10 days of notice from the Company, the parties have stipulated that an additional \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers.

On October 12, 2021, the parties filed a Stipulation for Dismissal and Continued Jurisdiction with the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Court ordered that it retain jurisdiction over the parties under Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure to enforce the Settlement Agreement until the performance in full of its terms is met.

In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022, the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments, and failed to cure each default within 10 days' notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company's incurred costs, and (3) attorneys' fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment.

The Company has retained the full reserve on unpaid notes receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments from G Farma will be recognized in Other Income as they are received. Recovery payments of \$3,550 and \$2,000 are included in other income in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Payments received are treated as recovery of bad debt and reported as other income in the consolidated income statements, see Notes 8 and 9. We will continue to pursue collection from the G Farma Settlers over time.



### *Mentor Partner I, LLC*

Mentor Partner I, LLC (“Partner I”) was reorganized under the laws of the State of Texas in February 2021. The entity was originally organized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of California on September 19, 2017. Partner I was formed as a wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor for the purpose of acquisition and investment. On September 25, 2020, a limited liability company named Mentor Partner I, LLC (“Partner I Texas”) was organized under the laws of the State of Texas. A member-approved merger between Partner I and Partner I Texas was approved by the California and Texas Secretaries of State, and became effective February 17, 2021, with Partner I Texas as the surviving entity. In 2018, Mentor contributed \$996,000 of capital to Partner I to facilitate the purchase of manufacturing equipment to be leased from Partner I by G FarmaLabs Limited (“G Farma”), under a Master Equipment Lease Agreement dated January 16, 2018, as amended. Partner I acquired and delivered manufacturing equipment as selected by G Farma Entities under sales-type finance leases. During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, Mentor withdrew capital of \$0 and \$52,800, respectively, from Partner I. Partner I did not have any sales revenue for the years ended December 31, 2022 or 2021. Interest income recognized from Partner I finance leases for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, was \$0 and \$0, respectively. The finance leases resulting from this investment have been fully impaired as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, due to circumstances described in Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

### *Mentor Partner II, LLC*

Mentor Partner II, LLC (“Partner II”) was reorganized under the laws of the State of Texas in February 2021. The entity was originally organized as a limited liability under the laws of the State of California on February 1, 2018. Partner II was formed as a wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor for the purpose of investing and acquisition. On September 25, 2020, a limited liability company named Mentor Partner II, LLC (“Partner II Texas”) was organized under the laws of the State of Texas. A merger between Partner II and Partner II Texas was approved by the California and Texas Secretaries of State, and became effective February 17, 2021, with Partner II Texas as the surviving entity. On February 8, 2018, Mentor contributed \$400,000 to Partner II to facilitate the purchase of manufacturing equipment to be leased from Partner II by Pueblo West Organics, LLC (“Pueblo”), under a Master Equipment Lease Agreement, dated February 11, 2018. On March 12, 2019, Mentor agreed to use Partner II earnings of \$61,368 to facilitate the purchase of additional manufacturing equipment to Pueblo West under a Second Amendment to the lease. On September 27, 2022, Pueblo West exercised its lease prepayment option and purchased the manufacturing equipment for \$245,369. On September 28, 2022 Partner II transferred full title to the equipment to Pueblo West. See Note 9 to the condensed consolidated financial statements. During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, Mentor withdrew capital of \$326,893 and \$124,281, respectively, from Partner II. During the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, Partner II recognized finance revenue of \$37,659 and \$40,764, respectively.

### *TWG, LLC*

On October 4, 2022, the Company formed TWG, LLC (“TWG”), a Texas limited liability company, as a wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor for in order to prepare to fulfill certain February 16, 2022 modification agreement performance obligations related to installment payments the Company receives from a non-affiliated party.

### **Overview**

The Company continues to shift its target industry focus, to include energy, manufacturing, and management services. The Company goal is ensuring increased market opportunities. Our general business operations are intended to provide management consultation and headquarters functions, especially with regard to accounting and audits, for our larger investment targets and our majority-owned subsidiaries. We monitor our smaller and less than majority positions for value and investment security. Management also spends considerable effort reviewing possible acquisition candidates on an ongoing basis.

Mentor seeks to take significant positions in target companies to provide public market liquidity for founders, protection for investors, funding for the companies, and to incubate private companies that Mentor believes to have significant potential. When Mentor takes a significant position in its investees, it provides financial management when needed but leaves operating control in the hands of the company founders. Retaining control, receiving greater liquidity, and working with an experienced organization to efficiently develop disclosures and compliance that are similar to what is required of public companies are three potential key advantages to company founders working with Mentor Capital, Inc.

The Company continually works to identify potential acquisitions and investments. While evaluating whether an acquisition may be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders, no transaction will be announced until that transaction is certain.

### ***Competition***

We face formidable competition in every aspect of our business. There are many companies that are interested in investing in target companies, similar to our focus, energy, manufacturing, management services, many of which are well-funded companies.

### ***Employees***

Mentor and its subsidiaries combined have 91 full-time employees. Mentor relocated its corporate office from Ramona, California, to Plano, Texas in September 2020 and has 2 full-time employees. The corporate office employees rely heavily on outside CPA, payroll, tax, facilities, corporate counsel, and other professional support to provide administrative support for WCI, MCIP, Partner I, Partner II, and TWG operations.

WCI has 66 full-time employees in Phoenix, Arizona, 19 full-time employees in San Antonio and Austin, Texas, 2 full-time employees in Houston, Texas, and 2 full-time employees in Dallas, Texas.

### ***Available Information About Registrant***

We have voluntarily registered our securities under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and such registration became effective January 19, 2015. Since that date, we have filed quarterly, annual, and current reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”).

The SEC maintains an Internet site containing reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>.

Our periodic reports and other required disclosures are available at our company website located at: [www.MentorCapital.com](http://www.MentorCapital.com).

### **Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

In addition to other information in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the following risk factors should be carefully considered in evaluating our business since it operates in a highly challenging and complex business environment that involves numerous risks, some of which are beyond our control. The following discussion highlights a few of these risk factors, any one of which may have a significant adverse impact on our business, operating results, and financial condition.

As a result of the risk factors set forth below and elsewhere in this Form 10-K, and the risks discussed in our Rule 15c2-11, previous quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and other publicly disclosed submissions, actual results could differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements.

We face significant risks, and the risks described below may not be the only risks we face. Additional risks that we do not know of or that we currently consider immaterial may also impair our business operations. If any of the events or circumstances described in the following risks actually occurs, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be harmed, and the trading price of our Common Stock could decline.

***We may not be able to continue as a going concern.***

Management has noted certain financial conditions that raise substantial doubts about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, we experienced significant operating losses, liquidity constraints, and negative cash flows from operations. The Company may seek to recover unused funds from its affiliated entities, sell one or more investments that management has determined are at the end of their lifecycle or no longer fit within the Company's desired focus, or raise additional capital to fund its operations. If we are unable to make a return on our investments to generate positive cash flow and cannot obtain sufficient capital from non-portfolio-related sources to fund operations and pay liabilities in a timely manner, we may have to cease our operations. Securing additional sources of financing to enable us to continue investing in our target markets will be difficult, and there is no assurance of our ability to secure such financing. A failure to obtain additional financing and generate positive cash flow from operations could prevent us from making expenditures that are needed to pay current obligations, allow us to hire additional personnel, and continue to seek out and invest in new companies. This leaves doubt as to our ability to continue as a going concern. However, the Company has 6,250,000 Series D warrants outstanding in which the Company can reset the exercise price below the current market price. Similarly, the Company could, with Board and shareholder approval which might take some time, reverse split the stock to raise the stock price above the warrant exercise price which may, when completed, place these warrants "in the money". The warrants are specifically not affected and do not split with the shares in the event of a reverse split, nor does the exercise price thereof change. These condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from repricing the outstanding warrants.

***A failure to obtain financing could prevent us from executing our business plan or operate as a going concern***

We anticipate that current cash resources and opportunities will be sufficient for us to execute our business plan for one year after the date these financial statements are issued. It is possible that if future financing is not obtained, we will not be able to operate as a going concern. We believe that securing substantial additional sources of financing is possible, but there is no assurance of our ability to secure such financing. A failure to obtain additional financing could prevent us from making necessary expenditures for advancement and growth to partner with businesses and hire additional personnel. If we raise additional financing by selling equity, or convertible debt securities, the relative equity ownership of our existing investors could be diluted, or the new investors could obtain terms more favorable than previous investors. If we raise additional funds through debt financing, we could incur significant borrowing costs and be subject to adverse consequences in the event of a default.

***Management voluntarily transitioned to a fully reporting company and spends considerable time meeting the associated reporting obligations.***

Management had operated Mentor Capital, Inc. as a non-reporting public company for over 25 years, and seven years ago voluntarily transitioned to reporting company status subject to financial and other SEC-required disclosures. Prior to such voluntary transition, management had not been required to prepare and make such required disclosures. As a reporting company, we may be subject to certain reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the Dodd-Frank Act, the listing requirements of a national securities exchange, and other applicable securities rules and regulations. The Exchange Act requires, among other things, that we file annual, quarterly, and current reports with respect to our business and operating activities. Preparing and filing periodic reports imposes a significant expense, time, and reporting burden upon management. This distraction can divert management from its operation of the business to the detriment of core operations. Also, inadvertent improper reporting for any reason can result in trading restrictions and other sanctions that may impair or even suspend trading in the Company's Common Stock.

***Investors may suffer risk of dilution following exercise of warrants for cash.***

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had 22,941,357 outstanding shares of its Common Stock trading at approximately \$0.045. As of the same date, the Company also had 6,250,000 outstanding Series D warrants exercisable for shares of Common Stock at \$1.60 per share. These Series D warrants do not have a cashless exercise feature. The Company anticipates that the warrants may be increasingly exercised anytime the per share price of the Company's Common Stock is greater than \$1.60 per share. Exercise of these Series D warrants may result in immediate and potentially substantial dilution to current holders of the Company's Common Stock. In addition, the Company has 413,512 outstanding Series H warrants with a per share exercise price of \$7.00 held by an investment bank and its affiliates. These \$7.00 Series H warrants include a cashless exercise feature. Current and future shareholders may suffer dilution of their investment and equity ownership if any of the warrant holders elect to exercise their warrants.

Beginning on February 9, 2015, in accordance with Section 1145 of the United States Bankruptcy Code and in accordance with the Company's court-approved Plan of Reorganization, the Company announced that it would allow for partial redemption of up to 1% per month of the outstanding Series D warrants to provide for the court specified redemption mechanism for warrants not exercised timely by the original holder or their estates. On October 7, 2016, the Company announced that the 1% redemptions which were formerly priced on a calendar month schedule would subsequently be initiated and priced on a random date schedule after the prior 1% redemption is complete to prevent potential third-party manipulation of share prices during the pricing period at month-end. Company designees that apply during the redemption period must pay 10 cents per warrant to redeem the warrants and then exercise the Series D warrant to purchase a share of the Company's Common Stock at a maximum of one-half of the closing bid price on the day preceding the 1% partial redemption. The 1% partial redemption may continue to be periodically recalculated and repeated according to the court formula until such unexercised warrants are exhausted, or the partial redemption is otherwise suspended or truncated by the Company. Existing shareholders may suffer dilution if any warrants are exercised as a result of the Company's partial redemption offering. There were no warrant redemptions in 2022 or 2021.

***We have operated in a turbulent market populated by businesses that are highly volatile.***

The U.S. market for cannabis products is highly volatile. While several of our investments were in cannabis-related entities and we believe that it has been an exciting and growing market, many companies involved in cannabis products and services used to be involved in illegal activities, some still are, and many of them operate in unconventional ways. Some of these differences which represent challenges to us include not keeping appropriate financial records, inexperience with business contracts, not having access to customary business banking or brokerage relationships, not having quality manufacturing relationships, and not having customary distribution arrangements. Any one of these challenges, if questioned and not managed well, could materially adversely impact our business. To date, some of our investments in cannabis-related businesses have not turned out well.

***Our business model is to partner with or acquire other companies.***

We do not manufacture or sell products or services. Rather, we aim to find businesses whose products, managers, technology, or other factors we like and acquire or invest in those businesses. While we are open to investing in a diverse portfolio of entities across multiple industries, there is no certainty that we will find suitable partners or that we will be able to engage in transactions on advantageous terms with the partners we identify. There is also no certainty that we will be able to consummate a transaction on favorable terms or any transaction at all. To date, several of our acquisitions/investments have not turned out well for us.

***We may have to work harder to introduce rigor in our transactions.***

Many of the people and entities with whom we engage may not be used to operating in business transactions in a public environment. Therefore, in order to discharge our fiduciary and disclosure obligations we may have to work harder to satisfy good business practices. Entities and persons operating in private industry may be unaccustomed to entering into lengthy written agreements or keeping financial records according to GAAP or reading or interpreting the tax and sales tax code conservatively. Additionally, entities and persons with whom we engage may not pay particular attention to the obligations including their obligations associated with employee retention tax credit and economic injury disaster loan programs with which they have agreed in written contracts. We have experienced or may experience differences of this manner with several different entities with whom we do business, including several entities which failed to comply with common law contractual obligations, which led us into litigation and other legal remedies.

***We depend on our key personnel and may have difficulty attracting and retaining the skilled staff and outside professionals we need to execute our growth plans.***

Our success will be dependent largely upon the personal efforts of our Chief Executive Officer, Chet Billingsley. The loss of Mr. Billingsley could have a material adverse effect on our business and prospects. Currently, we have two full-time employees, and we substantially rely on the services provided by outside professionals. To execute our plans, we will have to retain our current employees and work with outside professionals that we believe will help us achieve our goals. Competition for recruiting and retaining highly skilled employees with technical, management, marketing, sales, product development, and other specialized training is intense. We may not be successful in employing and retaining such qualified personnel. Specifically, we may experience increased costs in order to retain skilled employees. If we are unable to retain experienced employees and the services of outside professionals as needed, we will be unable to execute our business plan.

***Founder and CEO Chet Billingsley, along with other members of the Company Board of Directors, have considerable control over the company through their aggregate ownership of 14.38% of the outstanding shares of the Company's Common Stock on a fully diluted basis.***

As of February 22, 2023, Mr. Billingsley owned approximately 8.16% of the outstanding shares of the Company's Common Stock on a fully diluted basis. Together with other members of the Company's Board of Directors, management of the Company owns approximately 14.38% of the outstanding shares of the Company's Common Stock on a fully diluted basis. Mr. Billingsley holds 2,047,274 Series D warrants, exercisable at \$1.60 per share. Robert Meyer, David Carlile, and Lori Stansfield, directors of the Company, hold an aggregate of 631,455 Series D warrants exercisable at \$1.60 per share. Due to the large number of shares of Common Stock owned by Mr. Billingsley and the directors of the Company, management has considerable ability to exercise control over the Company and matters submitted for shareholder approval, including the election of directors and approval of any merger, consolidation or sale of substantially all of the assets of the Company. Additionally, due to his position as CEO and Chairman of the Board, Mr. Billingsley has the ability to control the management and affairs of the Company. The Company's directors and Mr. Billingsley owe a fiduciary duty to our shareholders and must act in good faith in a manner each reasonably believes to be in the best interests of our shareholders. As shareholders, Mr. Billingsley and the other directors are entitled to vote their shares in their own interests, which may not always be in the interests of our shareholders generally.

***There is a limited market for our Common Stock.***

Our Common Stock is not listed on any exchange and trades on the OTC Markets OTCQB system. As such, the market for our Common Stock is limited and is not regulated by the rules and regulations of any exchange. Several of our past investments were in cannabis-related businesses which open us up to further scrutiny by brokers before they will accept our shares. Freely trading shares of even fully reporting OTCQB companies receive careful scrutiny by brokers who may require legal opinion letters, proof of consideration, medallion guarantees, or expensive fee payments before accepting or declining share deposits. Further, the price of our Common Stock and its volume in the market may be subject to wide fluctuations. Our stock price could decline regardless of our actual operating performance, and stockholders could lose a substantial part of their investment as a result of industry or market-based fluctuations. Our stock may trade relatively thinly. If a more active public market for our stock is not sustained, it may be difficult for stockholders to sell shares of our Common Stock. Because we do not now pay cash dividends on our Common Stock, stockholders may not be able to receive a return on their shares unless they are able to sell them. The market price of our Common Stock will likely fluctuate in response to a number of factors, including but not limited to the following:

- sales, sales cycle, and market acceptance or rejection of our affiliates' products;
- our ability to engage with partners who are successful in selling products;
- economic conditions within our markets;

- the timing of announcements by us or our competitors of significant products, contracts or acquisitions or publicity regarding actual or potential results or performance thereof;
- domestic and international economic, business, and political conditions;
- justified or unjustified adverse publicity; and
- proper or improper third-party short sales or other manipulation of our stock.

***We have a long business and corporate existence.***

We began in Silicon Valley in 1985 as a limited partnership and operated as Mentor Capital, LP until we incorporated as Main Street Athletic Clubs, Inc. in California in 1994. We were privately owned until September 1996, at which time our Common Stock began trading on the Over The Counter Pink Sheets. Our merger and acquisition and business development activities have spanned many business sectors, and we went through a bankruptcy reorganization in 1998. In late 2015, we reincorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. We have operated in several different industries over our existence but do not have brand recognition within any one industry. We are continuing to diversify the types of entities with whom we are interested in partnering.

**General Risk Factors**

***Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in our forward-looking statements.***

This Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws that relate to future events or future financial performance. When used in this report, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as “believes,” “anticipates,” “seeks,” “looks,” “hopes,” “plans,” “predicts,” “expects,” “estimates,” “intends,” “will,” “continue,” “may,” “potential,” “should” and similar expressions. These statements are only expressions of expectation. Our actual results could, and likely will, differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements as a result of many factors, including those set forth above and elsewhere in this report and including factors unanticipated by us and not included herein. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in our forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements. Neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of these statements. Accordingly, we caution readers not to place undue reliance on these statements. Where required by applicable law, we will undertake to update any disclosures or forward-looking statements.

***If we are unable to protect our intellectual property, our competitive position would be adversely affected.***

We and our partners and subsidiaries intend to rely on patent protection, trademark and copyright law, trade secret protection and confidentiality agreements with our employees and others to protect our intellectual property. Despite our precautions, unauthorized third parties may copy our, and our affiliates’ and partners’, products and services or reverse engineer or obtain and use information that we regard as proprietary. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect proprietary rights to the same extent as do the laws of the United States. Our means of protecting our, and our affiliates’ and partners’, proprietary rights may not be adequate, and third parties may infringe or misappropriate our, and our affiliates’ and partners’, patents, copyrights, trademarks, and similar proprietary rights. If we, or our affiliates and partners, fail to protect intellectual property and proprietary rights, our business, financial condition, and results of operations would suffer. We believe that neither we nor our affiliates and partners infringe upon the proprietary rights of any third party, and no third party has asserted an infringement claim against us. It is possible, however, that such a claim might be asserted successfully against us in the future. We may be forced to suspend our operations to pay significant amounts to defend our rights, and a substantial amount of the attention of our management may be diverted from our ongoing business, all of which would materially adversely affect our business.

***We face rapid change.***

The market for our partners' and subsidiaries' products and services is characterized by rapidly changing laws and technologies, marketing efforts, extensive research, and the introduction of new products and services. We believe that our future success will depend in part upon our ability to continue to invest in companies that develop and enhance products and services offered in the energy, manufacturing, management services, or cannabis markets. As a result, we expect to continue to make investments in our partners and subsidiaries to promote further engineering, research, and development. There can be no assurance that our partners and subsidiaries will be able to develop and introduce new products and services or enhance initial products in a timely manner to satisfy customer needs, achieve market acceptance or address technological changes in our target markets. Failure to develop products and services and introduce them successfully and in a timely manner could adversely affect our competitive position, financial condition, and results of operations.

***If we experience rapid growth, we will need to manage such growth well.***

We may experience substantial growth in the size of our staff and the scope of our operations, resulting in increased responsibilities for management. To manage this possible growth effectively, we will need to continue to improve our operational, financial and management information systems, will possibly need to create departments that do not now exist, and hire, train, motivate and manage a growing number of staff. Due to a competitive employment environment for qualified technical, marketing and sales personnel, we expect to experience difficulty in filling our needs for qualified personnel. There can be no assurance that we will be able to effectively achieve or manage any future growth, and our failure to do so could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

***We could face product liability risks and may not have adequate insurance.***

Our partners' and affiliates' products may be used for medical purposes. We may become the subject of litigation alleging that our partners' and affiliates' products were ineffective or unsafe. Thus, we may become the target of lawsuits from injured or disgruntled customers or other users. We intend to, but do not now, carry product and liability insurance, but in the event that we are required to defend more than a few such actions, or in the event we are found liable in connection with such an action, our business and operations may be severely and materially adversely affected.

***Failure to maintain effective internal controls in accordance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 could have a material adverse effect on our stock price.***

Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the related rules and regulations of the SEC require annual management assessments of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. If we fail to adequately maintain compliance with or maintain the adequacy of our internal control over financial reporting, as such standards are modified, supplemented, or amended from time to time, we may not be able to ensure that we can conclude on an ongoing basis that we have effective internal control over financial reporting in accordance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the related rules and regulations of the SEC. If we cannot favorably assess our internal controls over financial reporting, investor confidence in the reliability of our financial reports may be adversely affected, which could have a material adverse effect on our stock price.

***We have indemnified our officers and directors.***

We have indemnified our Officers and Directors against possible monetary liability to the maximum extent permitted under California and Delaware law. The managers of Mentor Partner I, LLC and Mentor Partner II, LLC have been indemnified to the maximum extent permitted under California and Texas law, and the managers of TWG, LLC have been indemnified to the maximum extent permitted by Texas law.

***The worldwide economy could impact the company in numerous ways.***

The effects of negative worldwide economic events, such as the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 outbreak, economic sanctions, the impact of inflation, interest rate increases, tax increases, tariff increases, recession, climate regulation, and outbreak of war in Ukraine, may cause disruptions and extreme volatility in global financial markets, increased rates of default and bankruptcy, impact levels of consumer spending, and may impact our business, operating results, or financial condition. The ongoing worldwide economic situation, future weakness in the credit markets, and significant liquidity problems for the financial services industry may also impact our financial condition in a number of ways. For example, current or potential customers may delay or decrease spending with us, or our partners and affiliates, or may not pay us, or our partners or affiliates, or may delay paying us, or our partners or affiliates, for previously purchased products and services. Also, we may have difficulties in securing additional financing.

## Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

## Item 2. Properties.

Mentor rented 2,000 square feet of office space for \$2,990 per month under a one-year lease in Ramona, California, which expired in September 2020. Mentor relocated to Plano, Texas, in September 2020 and now reimburses facilities costs of \$2,456 per month to the property owners, the Billingsley family. Reimbursable facilities costs have not increased since 2020. The Company does not pay rent. The Company's Ramona rent and facilities costs were formerly \$4,408 per month.

Mentor 51% owned subsidiary, WCI, manages its Arizona and Texas businesses from its Phoenix, Arizona location where it leases 5,603 square feet of office and warehouse space pursuant to a Multi-Lessee Industrial Net Lease effected September 15, 2022 for an initial lease term of sixty-one months commencing on October 1, 2022. Monthly base rent will be \$5,603 for the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, \$5,827 for the period October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024, \$6,060 for the period October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025, \$6,303 for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026, \$6,555 for the period October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027, and \$6,817 for the period October 1, 2027 to October 31, 2027. Commencing on October 1, 2022, WCI will also pay its monthly *pro rata* share (3.89% of total rental square footage estimated at \$1,289 per month or \$0.23 per square foot per month) on the annual common area operating expenses and common area improvements incurred by the landlord. Previously, WCI managed its Arizona and Texas business from Tempe, Arizona, where it leased approximately 3,000 square feet of office and warehouse space for \$2,200 per month under an operating lease that expired in January 2021 and was amended February 18, 2021, to extend the lease through February 2023. The monthly rent under the extended lease was \$2,350 per month for the first year of the lease and \$2,500 per month for the second year of the lease. On January 1, 2022, WCI also paid its monthly *pro rata* share (1.90% of total rentable square footage) of the common area operating expenses increase over the common area operating expenses incurred by the landlord in the calendar year 2021. WCI does not have an office or warehouse space in any of its Texas locations.

MCIP, Partner I, Partner II, and TWG office and administrative support are provided by Mentor in its Plano, Texas corporate offices.

## Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

### *G FarmaLabs Limited*

On May 28, 2019, Mentor Capital, Inc. and Mentor Partner I, LLC filed a complaint in the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin for, among other things, breach of contract against G FarmaLabs Limited, Atanachi ("Ata") Gonzalez, Nicole Gonzalez, G FarmaLabs DHS, LLC, GFBrands, Inc., fka G FarmaBrands, Inc., Finka Distribution, Inc., G FarmaLabs WA, LLC, and Goya Ventures, LLC (together "Defendants"). Under the complaint, among other things:

- Mentor Capital, Inc. alleged that G FarmaLabs Limited and Ata Gonzalez and Nicole Gonzalez as guarantors of the G Farma obligations had failed to perform their several obligations under a Note Purchase Agreement and two secured Promissory Notes dated March 17, 2017, as amended. At December 31, 2019, the aggregate amount due, owing, and unpaid under both Notes is \$1,045,051. Interest of approximately \$67,770 is also due but has not been accrued in the financial statements due to uncertainty of collection.
- Mentor Partner I, LLC alleged that G FarmaLabs Limited, G FarmaLabs DHS, LLC as Lessees and GFBrands, Inc, Ata Gonzalez, and Nicole Gonzalez as guarantors of the lease obligations had failed to perform their several obligations under a Master Equipment Lease dated January 16, 2018, as amended. At December 31, 2019, the aggregate amount due, owing, and unpaid under the Lease is \$1,055,680. Interest of approximately \$93,710 is also due but has not been accrued in the financial statements due to uncertainty of collection.
- Mentor Capital, Inc. also alleged that the G FarmaLabs Limited and Ata Gonzalez and Nicole Gonzalez as guarantors had failed to perform their obligations under (i) a Consulting Agreement dated March 17, 2017, as amended, (ii) a Rights Agreement dated March 17, 2017, and (iii) a Security Agreement dated March 17, 2017, as amended.
- Mentor Capital, Inc. also alleged that G FarmaLabs Limited, G FarmaLabs DHS, LLC, GFBrands, Inc., Finka Distribution, Inc., G FarmaLabs WA, LLC, and Goya Ventures, LLC had failed to perform their obligations under an Equity Purchase and Issuance Agreement dated September 6, 2018, as amended.
- Mentor Capital, Inc. and Mentor Partner I, LLC sought an injunction against all Defendants preventing Defendants from keeping equipment leased under the Master Lease Agreement.



On January 22, 2020, the Court granted the Company's motion for writ of possession and preliminary injunction prohibiting defendants from retaining control of or selling leased property. On January 31, 2020, all remaining equipment leased to G Farma by Mentor Partner I which was not impounded by the Corona Police was repossessed by the Company and moved to storage under the Company's control. All repossessed equipment was sold in 2020. see Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

On November 4, 2020, the Court granted Mentor Capital, Inc.'s and Mentor Partner I's motion for summary adjudication as to both causes of action against G FarmaLabs Limited for breach of the two promissory notes and one cause of action against each of Mr. Gonzalez and Ms. Gonzalez related to their duties as guarantors of G FarmaLabs Limited's obligations under the promissory notes.

On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities and guarantors ("G Farma Settlers") to resolve and settle all outstanding claims ("Settlement Agreement"). The Settlement Agreement requires the G Farma Settlers to pay the Company an aggregate of \$500,000 plus interest, payable monthly as follows: (i) \$500 per month for 12 months beginning on September 5, 2021, (ii) \$1,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2022, (iii) \$2,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2023, and (iv) increasing by an additional \$1,000 per month on each succeeding September 5th thereafter, until the settlement amount and accrued unpaid interest are paid in full. Interest on the unpaid balance shall initially accrue at the rate of 4.25% per annum, commencing February 25, 2021, compounded monthly, and shall be adjusted on February 25th of each year to equal the Prime Rate as published in the Wall Street Journal plus 1%. In the event that the G Farma Settlers fail to make any monthly payment and have not cured two such defaults within 10 days of notice from the Company, the parties have stipulated that an additional \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers.

On October 12, 2021, the parties filed a Stipulation for Dismissal and Continued Jurisdiction with the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Court ordered that it retain jurisdiction over the parties under Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure to enforce the Settlement Agreement until the performance in full of its terms is met.

In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022, the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments, and failed to cure each default within 10 days' notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company's incurred costs, and (3) attorneys' fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment.

The Company has retained the reserve on collections of the unpaid lease receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments recovered will be reported as Other income in the consolidated income statements. See Notes 8 and 9 for a discussion of the reserve against the finance lease receivable. We will continue to pursue collection from the G Farma Settlers over time.

#### Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

## PART II

#### Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters, and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

Our shares of Common Stock are traded on the Over-The-Counter OTCQB The Venture Market ("OTCQB") under the symbol "MNTR".

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices for our Common Stock as reported on the OTC Markets. This information reflects inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, markdown or commission and may not represent actual transactions.

	High	Low
Quarter Ended December 31, 2022	\$ 0.060	\$ 0.037
Quarter Ended September 30, 2022	\$ 0.085	\$ 0.030
Quarter Ended June 30, 2022	\$ 0.060	\$ 0.035
Quarter Ended March 31, 2022	\$ 0.041	\$ 0.064
Quarter Ended December 31, 2021	\$ 0.105	\$ 0.050
Quarter Ended September 30, 2021	\$ 0.125	\$ 0.093
Quarter Ended June 30, 2021	\$ 0.160	\$ 0.104
Quarter Ended March 31, 2021	\$ 0.270	\$ 0.083
Quarter Ended December 31, 2020	\$ 0.140	\$ 0.070

## Holders

As of December 31, 2022, there were approximately 8,542 registered holders of record of our Common Stock. As of December 31, 2022, we had a total of 22,941,357 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding; 11 shares of Series Q Preferred Stock issued and outstanding; 6,250,000 Series D warrants outstanding which are exercisable for 6,250,000 shares of Common Stock, and 413,512 Series H warrants outstanding which are exercisable for 413,512 shares of Common Stock.

## Dividend Policy

We have not declared or paid cash dividends or made distributions in the past and do not anticipate that we will pay cash dividends or make distributions in the near future.

## Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

On August 8, 2014, Mentor announced a plan to repurchase 300,000 shares of its outstanding stock. This may be funded by approximately 5% of the Company's cash and cash provided by current assets and receivables. During the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022, Mentor repurchased the following shares of Common Stock:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Total number of shares purchased under plan</u>	<u>Average price paid per share</u>	<u>Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced plans or programs</u>	<u>Maximum number of shares that may yet be purchased under the plans or programs</u>
January 1 through December 31, 2021	0	N/A	44,748	255,252
January 1 through December 31, 2022	0	N/A	44,748	255,252
<b>TOTAL</b>	0		44,748	255,252

## Equity Compensation Plan

Mentor does not currently have an equity compensation plan in place and does not intend to create such a plan in the near future.

## Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

On January 11, 2022, our Chief Executive Officer, Chet Billingsley, exercised 87,456 Series B warrants and 2,954 Series D warrants at \$0.11 per share and \$1.60 per share, respectively. Mr. Billingsley paid the Company \$14,347 in cash. This increased Mr. Billingsley's share ownership by 90,410 common shares, increased the Company's outstanding shares to 22,941,357, and decreased the Company's Series B and Series D outstanding warrants to 0 and 6,250,000, respectively. The sale of 90,410 shares of common stock was made in reliance on 11 U.S.C. § 1145 and Section 3(a)(7) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On October 3, 2019, the Company rescinded the sale and, on March 6, 2020, canceled the issuance of 222,223 shares of its unregistered Common Stock due to a complete failure of consideration. The unregistered shares of Common Stock were originally sold on March 22, 2017 in a private placement for \$500,002. On October 3, 2019, the Company rescinded the sale and, on March 6, 2020, cancelled the issuance of 66,667 shares of its unregistered Common Stock due to a complete failure of consideration. The unregistered shares of Common Stock were originally sold on April 28, 2017 in a private placement for \$100,000. Each of these sales of shares of Common Stock was made in reliance on Rule 506(b) of Regulation D and Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Other than as stated above, there have been no other unregistered securities sold within the past three years.

## Item 6. [Reserved]

## Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2022, and 2021 should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes to those statements that are included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### Corporate Background

Beginning September 2008, after the name change back to Mentor Capital, Inc., the Company's common stock traded publicly under the trading symbol OTC Markets: MNTR and after February 9, 2015, as OTCQB: MNTR and after August 6, 2018, under the trading symbol OTCQX: MNTR and after May 1, 2020, under the trading symbol OTCQB: MNTR.

In 2009 the Company began focusing its investing activities in leading-edge cancer companies. In response to government limitations on reimbursement for highly technical and expensive cancer treatments and a resulting business decline in the cancer immunotherapy sector, the Company decided to exit that space. In the summer of 2013, the Company was asked to consider investing in a cancer-related project with a medical marijuana focus. On August 29, 2013, the Company decided to fully divest its cancer assets and focus its next round of investments in the medical marijuana and cannabis sector. In late 2019, the Company expanded its target industry focus which now includes energy, manufacturing, and management services with the goal of ensuring increased market opportunities for investment. In September 2020, the Company moved its corporate office to Plano, Texas.

### Acquisitions and investments

#### *Waste Consolidators, Inc.*

Waste Consolidators, Inc. ("WCI") is a long-standing investment of which the Company owns a 51% interest and is included in the consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. WCI works with business park owners, governmental centers, and apartment complexes to reduce their facility related operating costs. WCI's waste management and disposal services include waste consolidation, bulk item pickup, general property maintenance, and one-time clean-up services in Phoenix, Austin, San Antonio, Houston, and Dallas. In the last half of 2020, WCI began expanding its services in Texas from San Antonio and Austin to include Houston, and in November 2021 began services in Dallas. This has led to an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses as WCI positions itself to operate in these newer locations.

#### *Electrum Partners, LLC*

Electrum Partners, LLC ("Electrum") is a Nevada based cannabis consulting, investment, and management company. On November 18, 2022 Mentor received \$459,990 from Electrum in consolidated settlement of one equity, one recovery purchase, and two secured capital agreements. Prior to the settlement, the Company owned a membership equity interest in Electrum which was carried at cost of \$194,028 and \$194,028 at September 30, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$63,324 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. The Company had 0 and 6,198 Electrum membership interest units and a 0% and 6.69% equity interest in Electrum at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

On October 30, 2018, the Company entered into a Recovery Purchase Agreement with Electrum to purchase a portion of Electrum's potential recovery in its legal action captioned *Electrum Partners, LLC, Plaintiff, and Aurora Cannabis Inc., Defendant*, in the Supreme Court of British Columbia ("Litigation"), as described further in Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements. As of September 30, 2022, and December 31, 2021, Mentor had provided \$196,666 and \$196,666, respectively, in capital for payment of Litigation costs. In exchange, after repayment to Mentor of all funds invested for payment of Litigation costs, Mentor was to receive 19% of anything of value received by Electrum as a result of the Litigation ("Recovery"). On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$196,666 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo.

On October 31, 2018, Mentor entered into a secured Capital Agreement with Electrum and invested an additional \$100,000 of capital in Electrum. Under the Capital Agreement, on the payment date, Electrum agreed to pay Mentor the sum of (i) \$100,000, (ii) ten percent (10%) of the Recovery, and (iii) 0.083334% of the Recovery for each full month from October 31, 2018 to the payment date for each full month that \$833 is not paid to Mentor. The payment date for the Capital Agreement was the earlier of November 1, 2021, or the final resolution of the Litigation. Due to the coronavirus and the resulting delay in the trial date of the Litigation, on November 1, 2021 the parties amended the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement for the purpose of extending the payment to the earlier of November 1, 2023, or the final resolution of the Litigation and increased the monthly payment payable by Electrum to \$834. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$100,000 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo.

On January 28, 2019, the Company entered into a second secured Capital Agreement with Electrum and invested an additional \$100,000 of capital in Electrum with payment terms similar to the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement. Due to the coronavirus and the resulting delay in the trial date of the Litigation, on November 1, 2021 the parties amended the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement for the purpose of extending the payment to the earlier of November 1, 2023, or the final resolution of the Litigation and increased the monthly payment payable by Electrum to \$834. As part of the January 28, 2019 Capital Agreement, Mentor was granted an option to convert its 6,198 membership interests in Electrum into a cash payment of \$194,028 plus an additional 19.4% of the Recovery. Under the Security Agreement, all liabilities and investments owed to Mentor from Electrum were secured by all of the tangible and intangible assets of Electrum. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$100,000 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### *Mentor IP, LLC*

On April 18, 2016, the Company formed Mentor IP, LLC ("MCIP"), a South Dakota limited liability company and wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor. MCIP was formed to hold interests related to patent rights obtained on April 4, 2016, when Mentor Capital, Inc. entered into that certain "Larson - Mentor Capital, Inc. Patent and License Fee Facility with Agreement Provisions for an — 80% / 20% Domestic Economic Interest — 50% / 50% Foreign Economic Interest" with R. L. Larson and Larson Capital, LLC ("MCIP Agreement"). Pursuant to the MCIP Agreement, MCIP obtained rights to an international patent application for foreign THC and CBD vape pens under the provisions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty of 1970, as amended. R. L. Larson continues its efforts to obtain exclusive licensing rights in the United States for THC and CBD vape pens for various THC and CBD percentage ranges and concentrations. On January 21, 2020, the United States Patent and Trademark Office granted a Notice of Allowance for the United States patent application and on May 5, 2020 the United States patent was issued. On March 23, 2020 MCIP applied for expedited prosecution with the Canadian Intellectual Property Office under the Patent Cooperation Treaty Patent Prosecution Highway Program based on the claims allowed in the corresponding United States patent application. On June 29, 2020, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office granted a Notice of Allowance for the Canada patent application and on September 22, 2020, the Canadian patent was issued. Activity in 2022 and 2021 was limited to payment of patent application maintenance fees in Canada. Patent application national phase maintenance fees have been expensed when paid and there were no assets related to the MCIP patents represented on the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

#### *NeuCourt, Inc.*

NeuCourt, Inc. ("NeuCourt") is a Delaware corporation that is developing a technology that is expected to be useful to the dispute resolution industry.

On November 22, 2017, the Company invested \$25,000 in NeuCourt, Inc. as a convertible note receivable. The note bore interest at 5% per annum, originally matured November 22, 2019, and was amended to extend the maturity date to November 22, 2021. No payments were required prior to maturity, however, at the time the November 22, 2017 note was extended, interest accrued through November 4, 2019 was remitted to Mentor. As consideration for the extension of the maturity date for the \$25,000 note, a warrant to purchase up to 25,000 shares of NeuCourt common stock at \$0.02 per share was issued to Mentor. On November 5, 2021, the parties amended the note to extend the November 22, 2021 maturity date to November 22, 2023. A warrant to purchase 27,630 shares of NeuCourt common stock at \$0.02 per share was issued to Mentor in exchange for the extension of the maturity date. On October 31, 2018, the Company invested an additional \$50,000 as a convertible note receivable in NeuCourt, which bore interest at 5%, originally matured October 31, 2020 and was amended to extend the maturity date to October 31, 2022. As consideration for the extension of the maturity date for the \$50,000 note plus accrued interest of \$5,132, a warrant to purchase up to 52,500 shares of NeuCourt common stock at \$0.02 per share was issued to Mentor. Principal and unpaid interest on the Notes could have been converted into a blend of shares of a to-be-created series of Preferred Stock and Common Stock of NeuCourt (i) on closing of a future financing round of at least \$750,000, (ii) on the election of NeuCourt on maturity of the Note, or (iii) on election of Mentor following NeuCourt's election to prepay the Note. The Company's investment in the two convertible notes receivable from NeuCourt, Inc., were recorded at the aggregate principal face amount of \$0 and \$71,850 plus accrued interest of \$0 and \$13,225 at September 30, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively. On June 13, 2022, the Company sold \$2,160.80 of note principal to a third party.

On July 15, 2022, the Company and NeuCourt, Inc. entered into an Exchange Agreement by which the \$25,000 and \$47,839 principal amounts of the NeuCourt November 22, 2017 and October 31, 2018 convertible notes and accrued unpaid interest in the amounts of \$3,518 and \$9,673 respectively, were exchanged for a Simple Agreement for Future Equity ("SAFE"), a security providing for conversion of the SAFE into shares of NeuCourt common or preferred stock ("Capital Stock") at some future date. As of July 15, 2022, the Company received SAFEs in the aggregate face amount of \$86,030 (the "Purchase Amount").

The valuation cap of the SAFE is \$3,000,000 (“Valuation Cap”), and the discount rate is 75% (“Discount Rate”).

If, prior to termination, conversion, or expiration of the SAFE, NeuCourt sells a series of preferred stock (“Equity Preferred Stock”) to investors in an equity financing raising not less than \$500,000, Mentor’s SAFE shall be converted into shares equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the lesser of (x) the price per share of the Equity Preferred Stock multiplied by the Discount Rate and (y) the price per share equal to the Valuation Cap divided by the number of outstanding shares of NeuCourt on a fully diluted, as-converted basis (“Conversion Shares”). The Conversion Shares shall consist of (a) the number of shares of Equity Preferred Stock equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the price per share of the Equity Preferred Stock (“Preferred Stock”) and (b) the number of shares of common stock equal to the Conversion Shares minus the Preferred Stock.

The SAFE will expire and terminate upon i) conversion or ii) repayment. The SAFE may be repaid by NeuCourt upon sixty (60) days prior notice (“Repayment Notice”) to the Company unless the Company elects during that period to convert the SAFE.

If NeuCourt does not close an equity financing round raising \$500,000 or more prior to expiration or termination of the SAFE, the Company may elect to convert the SAFE into the number of shares of a to-be-created series of preferred stock equal to the (x) Purchase Amount divided by (y) the Valuation Cap divided by the number of outstanding shares of NeuCourt on a fully diluted, as-converted basis (“Default Conversion”). Additionally, if NeuCourt experiences a change of control, initial public offering, ceases operations, or enters into a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, prior to conversion, termination, or expiration of the SAFE, the Company will receive the greater of (a) a cash payment equal to the Purchase Amount and (b) the value of the shares issuable on Default Conversion.

On July 22, 2022, the Company sold \$989 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party. On August 1, 2022, the Company sold an additional \$1,285 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party, thereby reducing the outstanding aggregate SAFE Purchase Amount to \$83,756.

Subsequent to year end, on January 20, 2023, the Company and NeuCourt entered into a SAFE Purchase Agreement by which the Company invested an additional \$10,000 in the form of a NeuCourt Simple Agreement for Future Equity under the same terms as the previous July 15, 2022 SAFE Purchase Agreement between NeuCourt and the Company. See Note 23.

On December 21, 2018, the Company purchased 500,000 shares of NeuCourt Common Stock for \$10,000, approximately 6.127% of the issued and outstanding NeuCourt shares at December 31, 2021.

### *G FarmaLabs Limited*

On March 17, 2017, the Company entered into a Notes Purchase Agreement with G FarmaLabs Limited, a Nevada corporation (“G Farma”), with operations in Washington and planned operations in California under two temporary licenses which were pending completion of its Desert Hot Springs, California, location. Under the Agreement, the Company purchased two secured promissory notes from G Farma in an aggregate principal face amount of \$500,000. Since the initial investment, the Company made several additional investments in G Farma. Addenda II through VIII increased the aggregate investment amount to \$1,110,000. G Farma has not made scheduled payments on the notes receivable since February 19, 2019. See Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

On September 6, 2018, the Company entered into an Equity Purchase and Issuance Agreement with G FarmaLabs Limited, G FarmaLabs DHS, LLC, GFBrands, Inc., Finka Distribution, Inc., and G FarmaLabs, WA, LLC under which Mentor was supposed to receive equity interests in the G Farma Equity Entities and their affiliates (together the “G Farma Equity Entities”) equal to 3.75% of the G Farma Equity Entities interests. On March 4, 2019, Addendum VIII increased the G Farma Equity Entities’ equity interest to which Mentor is immediately entitled to 3.843%, and added Goya Ventures, LLC as a G Farma Equity Entity. We have fully impaired the equity investment with these entities, formerly valued at \$41,600. See Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

On February 22, 2019, the City of Corona Building Department closed access to G Farma’s corporate location; the Company was not informed by G Farma of this incident until March 14, 2019. On April 24, 2019, the Company was notified that certain G Farma assets at its corporate location, including approximately \$427,804 of equipment leased by G Farma Entities from Mentor Partner I, LLC, under a Master Equipment Lease Agreement, was impounded by the Corona Police, see further description under Mentor Partner I, LLC, below, and Notes 8 and 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

This event severely impacted G Farma’s ability to pay amounts due the Company in the future and led the Company, in the quarter ended March 31, 2019, to fully impair G Farma notes receivable of \$1,045,051, and fully impair the Company’s 3.843% equity interest in G Farma Equity Entities, formerly valued at \$41,600. See Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

The Company and Mentor Partner I initiated an action against the G Farma Lease Entities and several persons who have guaranteed the obligations of the G Farma Entities (the “G Farma Lease Guarantors”) in the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin in which it sought, among other things, damages caused by G Farma’s and its guarantors’ breaches of the various agreements.

On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities and guarantors (“G Farma Settlers”) to resolve and settle all outstanding claims as discussed in Note 20 to the consolidated financial statements. In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022 the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments and failed to cure each default within 10 days’ notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company’s incurred costs, and (3) attorneys’ fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment. We will continue to pursue collection from the G Farma Settlers over time.

The Company has retained the full reserve on unpaid notes receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments from G Farma will be recognized in Other Income as they are received. See Notes 1 and 8. Recovery payments of \$3,550 and \$2,000 are included in other income in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

### *Mentor Partner I, LLC*

Mentor Partner I, LLC (“Partner I”) was reorganized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Texas as of February 17, 2021. The entity was originally organized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of California on September 19, 2017. Partner I was formed as a wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor for the purpose of acquisition and investment. In 2018, Mentor contributed \$996,000 of capital to Partner I to facilitate the purchase of manufacturing equipment to be leased from Partner I by G FarmaLabs Limited (“G Farma”) under a Master Equipment Lease Agreement dated January 16, 2018, as amended. During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, Mentor withdrew capital of \$0 and \$52,800, respectively, from Partner I. Partner I acquired and delivered manufacturing equipment as selected by G Farma Entities under sales-type finance leases. Partner I did not have any equipment sales revenue for the years ended December 31, 2022 or 2021.

On February 22, 2019, the City of Corona Building Department closed access to G Farma’s corporate location; the Company was not informed by G Farma of this incident until March 14, 2019. On April 24, 2019, the Company was informed that certain G Farma assets at its corporate location, including equipment valued at approximately \$427,804 leased to the G Farma Lease Entities under the Master Equipment Lease Agreement, was impounded by the Corona Police. This event severely impacted G Farma’s ability to pay amounts due the Company in the future.

In 2020, the Company repossessed leased equipment under G Farma’s control with a cost of \$622,670 and sold it to the highest offerors for net proceeds of \$348,734, after shipping and delivery costs. Net sales proceeds were applied against the finance lease receivable. The remaining finance lease receivable balance is fully impaired at December 31, 2022 and 2021. See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### *Mentor Partner II, LLC*

Mentor Partner II, LLC (“Partner II”) was reorganized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Texas on February 17, 2021. The entity was originally organized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of California on February 1, 2018. Partner II was formed as a wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor for the purpose of investing and acquisition. On February 8, 2018, Mentor contributed \$400,000 to Partner II to facilitate the purchase of manufacturing equipment to be leased from Partner II by Pueblo West under a Master Equipment Lease Agreement dated February 11, 2018, as amended. On March 12, 2019, Mentor agreed to use Partner II earnings of \$61,368 to facilitate the purchase of additional manufacturing equipment leased to Pueblo West under a Second Amendment to the lease. On September 27, 2022, Pueblo West exercised its lease prepayment option and purchased the manufacturing equipment for \$245,369. On September 28, 2022 Partner II transferred full title to the equipment to Pueblo West See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements. During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, Mentor withdrew capital of \$326,893 and \$124,281, respectively, from Partner II.

#### *TWG, LLC*

On October 4, 2022, the Company formed TWG, LLC (“TWG”), a Texas limited liability company, as a wholly owned subsidiary of Mentor in order to prepare to fulfill certain February 16, 2022 modification agreement performance obligations related to installment payments the Company receives from a non-affiliated party.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

The Company’s future success is dependent upon its ability to make a return on our investments to generate positive cash flow and to obtain sufficient capital from non-portfolio-related sources. The Company currently has enough cash to effectuate its business plans for the next 12 months. Management believes they can raise the appropriate funds needed to support their business plan and develop an operating, cash flow positive company.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

##### Basis of presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements and related notes include the activity of majority-owned subsidiaries of 51% or more. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (“GAAP”). Significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with current year presentation.

As shown in the accompanying financial statements, the Company has a significant accumulated deficit of \$11,345,465 as of December 31, 2022. The Company continues to experience negative cash flows from operations.

The Company will be required to raise additional capital to fund its operations and will continue to attempt to raise capital resources from both related and unrelated parties until such time as the Company is able to generate revenues sufficient to maintain itself as a viable entity. These factors have raised substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These financial statements are presented on the basis that we will continue as a going concern. The going concern concept contemplates the realization of assets and satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might be necessary if the Company is unable to continue as a going concern. There can be no assurances that the Company will be able to raise additional capital or achieve profitability. However, the Company has 6,250,000 Series D warrants outstanding in which the Company can reset the exercise price substantially below the current market price. Similarly, the Company could reverse split the stock to raise the stock price above the warrant exercise price. The warrants are specifically not affected and do not split with the shares in the event of a reverse split. These consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from repricing the outstanding warrants.

Management's plans include increasing revenues through acquisition, investment, and organic growth. Management anticipates funding these activities by raising additional capital through the sale of equity securities and obtaining debt financing.

#### Segment reporting

The Company has determined that there are currently two reportable segments: 1) the historic cannabis and medical marijuana segment and 2) the Company's legacy investment in WCI, which works with business park owners, governmental centers, and apartment complexes to reduce their facility related operating costs.

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of our consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates, assumptions, and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our consolidated financial statements, and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

Significant estimates relied upon in preparing these consolidated financial statements include revenue recognition, accounts and notes receivable reserves, expected future cash flows used to evaluate the recoverability of long-lived assets, estimated fair values of long-lived assets used to record impairment charges related to investments, goodwill, amortization periods, accrued expenses, and recoverability of the Company's net deferred tax assets and any related valuation allowance.

Although the Company regularly assesses these estimates, actual results could differ materially from these estimates. Changes in estimates are recorded in the period in which they become known. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that it believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from management's estimates if past experience or other assumptions do not turn out to be substantially accurate.

#### Recent Accounting Standards

From time to time, the FASB or other standards setting bodies issue new accounting pronouncements. Updates to the FASB Accounting Standard Codifications ("ASCs") are communicated through issuance of an Accounting Standards Update ("ASU"). Unless otherwise discussed, we believe that the impact of recently issued guidance, whether adopted or to be adopted in the future, is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

***Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes*** – As of January 1, 2021, we adopted ASU No. 2019-12, *Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes*, which is designed to simplify the accounting for income taxes by removing certain exceptions to the general principles in Topic 740. ASU No. 2019-12 The adoption of this ASU did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### Concentrations of cash

The Company maintains its cash and cash equivalents in bank deposit accounts which at times may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts nor does the Company believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all short-term debt securities purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Company had no short-term debt securities as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.



#### Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable consist of trade accounts arising in the normal course of business and are classified as current assets and carried at original invoice amounts less an estimate for doubtful receivables based on historical losses as a percent of revenue in conjunction with a review of outstanding balances on a quarterly basis. The estimate of allowance for doubtful accounts is based on the Company's bad debt experience, market conditions, and aging of accounts receivable, among other factors. If the financial condition of the Company's customers deteriorates, resulting in the customer's inability to pay the Company's receivables as they come due, additional allowances for doubtful accounts will be required. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company has an allowance for doubtful receivables in the amount of \$53,692 and \$74,676, respectively.

#### Investments in securities, at fair value

Investment in securities consists of debt and equity securities reported at fair value. Under ASU 2016-01, "*Financial Instruments - Overall: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*," the Company elected to report changes in the fair value of equity investment in realized investment gains (losses), net.

#### Long term investments

The Company's investments in entities where it is a minority owner and does not have the ability to exercise significant influence are recorded at fair value if readily determinable. If the fair market value is not readily determinable, the investment is recorded under the cost method. Under this method, the Company's share of the earnings or losses of such investee company is not included in the Company's financial statements. The Company reviews the carrying value of its long-term investments for impairment each reporting period.

#### Finance leases receivable

The Company, through its subsidiaries, is the lessor of manufacturing equipment subject to leases under master leasing agreements. The leases contain an element of dealer profit and lessee bargain purchase options at prices substantially below the subject assets' estimated residual values at the exercise date for the options. Consequently, the Company classified the leases as sales-type leases (the "finance leases") for financial accounting purposes. For such finance leases, the Company reports the discounted present value of (i) future minimum lease payments (including the bargain purchase option, if any) and (ii) any residual value not subject to a bargain purchase option as a finance lease receivable on its balance sheet and accrues interest on the balance of the finance lease receivable based on the interest rate inherent in the applicable lease over the term of the lease. For each finance lease, the Company recognized revenue in an amount equal to the net investment in the lease and cost of sales equal to the net book value of the equipment at the inception of the applicable lease.

A finance receivable is considered impaired, based on current information and events, if it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to contractual terms. Impaired finance receivables include finance receivables that have been restructured and are troubled debt restructures. See Note 9.

#### Credit quality of notes receivable and finance leases receivable and credit loss reserve

As our notes receivable and finance leases receivable are limited in number, our management is able to analyze estimated credit loss reserves based on a detailed analysis of each receivable as opposed to using portfolio-based metrics. Our management does not use a system of assigning internal risk ratings to each of our receivables. Rather, each note receivable and finance lease receivable are analyzed quarterly and categorized as either performing or non-performing based on certain factors including, but not limited to, financial results, satisfying scheduled payments and compliance with financial covenants. A note receivable or finance lease receivable will be categorized as non-performing when a borrower experiences financial difficulty and has failed to make scheduled payments. As part of the monitoring process we may physically inspect the collateral or a borrower's facility and meet with a borrower's management to better understand such borrower's financial performance and its future plans on an as-needed basis.

### Property and equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on the declining balance method over the estimated useful lives of various classes of property. The estimated lives of the property and equipment are generally as follows: computer equipment, three to five years; furniture and equipment, seven years; and vehicles and trailers, four to five years. Depreciation on vehicles used by WCI to service its customers is included in cost of goods sold in the consolidated income statements. All other depreciation is included in selling, general and administrative costs in the consolidated income statements.

Expenditures for major renewals and improvements are capitalized, while minor replacements, maintenance, and repairs, which do not extend the asset lives, are charged to operations as incurred. Upon sale or disposition, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is included in operations. The Company continually monitors events and changes in circumstances that could indicate that the carrying balances of its property and equipment may not be recoverable in accordance with the provisions of ASC 360, "*Property, Plant, and Equipment*." When such events or changes in circumstances are present, the Company assesses the recoverability of long-lived assets by determining whether the carrying value of such assets will be recovered through undiscounted expected future cash flows. If the total of the future cash flows is less than the carrying amount of those assets, the Company recognizes an impairment loss based on the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value of the assets. See Note 5.

The Company reviews intangible assets subject to amortization quarterly to determine if any adverse conditions exist or a change in circumstances has occurred that would indicate impairment or a change in the remaining useful life. Conditions that may indicate impairment include, but are not limited to, a significant adverse change in legal factors or business climate that could affect the value of an asset, a product recall, or an adverse action or assessment by a regulator. If an impairment indicator exists, we test the intangible asset for recoverability. For purposes of the recoverability test, we group our amortizable intangible assets with other assets and liabilities at the lowest level of identifiable cash flows if the intangible asset does not generate cash flows independent of other assets and liabilities. If the carrying value of the intangible asset (asset group) exceeds the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the intangible asset (asset group), the Company will write the carrying value down to the fair value in the period identified.

### Lessee Leases

We determine whether an arrangement is a lease at inception. Lessee leases are classified as either finance leases or operating leases. A lease is classified as a finance lease if any one of the following criteria are met: the lease transfers ownership of the asset by the end of the lease term, the lease contains an option to purchase the asset that is reasonably certain to be exercised, the lease term is for a major part of the remaining useful life of the asset or the present value of the lease payments equals or exceeds substantially all of the fair value of the asset. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not meet any one of these criteria. Our operating leases are comprised of office space leases, and office equipment. Fleet vehicle leases entered into prior to January 1, 2019, under ASC 840 guidelines, are classified as operating leases. Fleet vehicle leases entered into beginning January 1, 2019, under ASC 842 guidelines, are classified as finance leases. Our leases have remaining lease terms of 1 month to 48 months. Our fleet finance leases contain a residual value guarantee which, based on past lease experience, is unlikely to result in a liability at the end of the lease. As most of our leases do not provide an implicit rate, we use our incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments.

Costs associated with operating lease assets are recognized on a straight-line basis, over the term of the lease, within cost of goods sold for vehicles used in direct servicing of WCI customers and in operating expenses for costs associated with all other operating leases. Finance lease assets are amortized within cost of goods sold for vehicles used in direct servicing of WCI customers and within operating expenses for all other finance lease assets, on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the estimated useful lives of the assets or the lease term. The interest component of a finance lease is included in interest expense and recognized using the effective interest method over the lease term. We have agreements that contain both lease and non-lease components. For vehicle fleet operating leases, we account for lease components together with non-lease components (e.g., maintenance fees).

### Long-lived assets impairment assessment

In accordance with the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 350, “*Intangibles - Goodwill and Other*,” we regularly review the carrying value of intangible and other long-lived assets for the existence of facts or circumstances, both internally and externally, that suggest impairment. The carrying value and ultimate realization of these assets are dependent upon our estimates of future earnings and benefits that we expect to generate from their use. If our expectations of future results and cash flows are significantly diminished, intangible assets and other long-lived assets may be impaired, and the resulting charge to operations may be material. When we determine that the carrying value of intangibles or other long-lived assets may not be recoverable based upon the existence of one or more indicators of impairment, we use the projected undiscounted cash flow method to determine whether an impairment exists and then measure the impairment using discounted cash flows.

### Goodwill

Goodwill of \$1,324,142 was derived from consolidating WCI effective January 1, 2014, and \$102,040 of goodwill was derived from the 1999 acquisition of a 50% interest in WCI. In accordance with ASC 350, “*Intangibles-Goodwill and Other*,” goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are no longer subject to amortization but are tested for impairment annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired.

The Company reviews the goodwill allocated to each of our reporting units for possible impairment annually as of December 31 and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate carrying amount may not be recoverable. In the impairment test, the Company measures the recoverability of goodwill by comparing a reporting unit’s carrying amount, including goodwill, to the estimated fair value of the reporting unit. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit is in excess of its fair value, the Company recognizes an impairment charge equal to the amount in excess. To estimate the fair value, management uses valuation techniques which included the discounted value of estimated future cash flows. The evaluation of impairment requires the Company to make assumptions about future cash flows over the life of the asset being evaluated. These assumptions require significant judgment and are subject to change as future events and circumstances change. Actual results may differ from assumed and estimated amounts. Management determined that no impairment write-downs were required as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

### Revenue recognition

The Company recognizes revenue in accordance with ASC 606, “*Revenue from Contracts with Customers*,” and FASB ASC Topic 842, “*Leases*.” Revenue is recognized net of allowances for returns and any taxes collected from customers, which are subsequently remitted to government authorities.

WCI works with business park owners, governmental centers, and apartment complexes to reduce facilities related costs. WCI performs monthly services pursuant to agreements with customers. Customer monthly service fees are based on WCI’s assessment of the amount and frequency of monthly services requested by a customer. WCI may also provide additional services, such as apartment cleanout services, large item removals, or similar services, on an as needed basis at an agreed upon rate as requested by customers. All services are invoiced and recognized as revenue in the month the agreed-on services are performed.

For each finance lease, the Company recognized as a gain the amount equal to (i) the net investment in the finance lease less (ii) the net book value of the equipment at the inception of the applicable lease. At lease inception we capitalize the total minimum finance lease payments receivable from the lessee, the estimated unguaranteed residual value of the equipment at lease termination, if any, and the initial direct costs related to the lease, less unearned income. Unearned income is recognized as finance income over the term of the lease using the effective interest rate method.

The Company, through its subsidiaries, is the lessor of manufacturing equipment subject to leases under master leasing agreements. The leases contain an element of dealer profit and lessee bargain purchase options at prices substantially below the subject assets’ estimated residual values at the exercise date for the options. Consequently, the Company classified the leases as sales-type leases (the “finance leases”) for financial accounting purposes. For such finance leases, the Company reports the discounted present value of (i) future minimum lease payments (including the bargain purchase option, if any) and (ii) any residual value not subject to a bargain purchase option as a finance lease receivable on its balance sheet and accrues interest on the balance of the finance lease receivable based on the interest rate inherent in the applicable lease over the term of the lease. For each finance lease, the Company recognized revenue in an amount equal to the net investment in the lease and cost of sales equal to the net book value of the equipment at the inception of the applicable lease.

### Basic and diluted income (loss) per common share

We compute net loss per share in accordance with ASC 260, "Earnings Per Share." Under the provisions of ASC 260, basic net loss per share includes no dilution and is computed by dividing the net loss available to common stockholders for the period by the weighted average number of shares of Common Stock outstanding during the period. Diluted net loss per share takes into consideration shares of Common Stock outstanding (computed under basic net loss per share) and potentially dilutive securities that are not anti-dilutive.

Outstanding warrants that had no effect on the computation of dilutive weighted average number of shares outstanding as their effect would be anti-dilutive were approximately 7,000,000 and 7,000,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. There were 0 and 87,456 potentially dilutive shares outstanding at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Assumed conversion of Series Q Preferred Stock into Common Stock would be anti-dilutive as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 and is not included in calculating the diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding.

### Income taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with accounting guidance now codified as FASB ASC 740, "Income Taxes," which requires that the Company recognize deferred tax liabilities and assets based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities, using enacted tax rates in effect in the years the differences are expected to reverse. Deferred income tax benefit (expense) results from the change in net deferred tax assets or deferred tax liabilities. A valuation allowance is recorded when it is more likely than not that some or all deferred tax assets will not be realized.

The Company applies the provisions of ASC 740, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes." The ASC prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The ASC provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest, and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. The Company utilizes a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions (tax contingencies). The first step evaluates the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates it is more likely than not that we will sustain the position on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes. The second step measures the tax benefit as the largest amount of more than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. The Company did not identify any material uncertain tax positions on returns that have been filed or that will be filed. The Company did not recognize any interest or penalties for unrecognized tax provisions during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, nor were any interest or penalties accrued as of December 31, 2022 and 2021. To the extent the Company may accrue interest and penalties, it elects to recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax provisions as a component of income tax expense.

### Fair value measurements

The Company adopted ASC 820, "Fair Value Measurement," which defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal, or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The valuation techniques maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure Topic establish a fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the valuation inputs into three broad levels. These three general valuation techniques that may be used to measure fair value are as follows: Market approach (Level 1) – which uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities. Prices may be indicated by pricing guides, sale transactions, market trades, or other sources. Cost approach (Level 2) – which is based on the amount that currently would be required to replace the service capacity of an asset (replacement cost); and the Income approach (Level 3) – which uses valuation techniques to convert future amounts to a single present amount based on current market expectations about the future amounts (including present value techniques, and option-pricing models). Net present value is an income approach where a stream of expected cash flows is discounted at an appropriate market interest rate.

The carrying amounts of cash, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other current assets, accounts payable, customer deposits and other accrued liabilities approximate their fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

The fair value of available-for-sale investment securities is based on quoted market prices in active markets.

The fair value of the investment in account receivable is based on the net present value of calculated interest and principal payments. The carrying value approximates fair value as interest rates charged are comparable to market rates for similar investments.

The fair value of notes receivable is based on the net present value of calculated interest and principal payments. The carrying value approximates fair value as interest rates charged are comparable to market rates for similar notes.

The fair value of long-term notes payable is based on the net present value of calculated interest and principal payments. The carrying value of long-term debt approximates fair value due to the fact that the interest rate on the debt is based on market rates.

#### **Results of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2022 compared to the year ended December 31, 2021:**

##### *Revenues*

We had revenue of \$7,705,715 and gross profit of \$2,226,322 (28.9% gross profit) for the year ended December 31, 2022, versus revenue of \$6,010,438 and gross profit of \$1,871,653 (31.1% gross profit) for the year ended December 31, 2021, an increase in revenue of \$1,695,277 and an increase in gross profit of \$354,669. WCI service fee revenue in 2022 increased by \$1,643,158 with an increase in gross profit of \$360,360. The 28.49% increase in WCI revenue was approximately comprised of i) a historical 10% annual increase in WCI revenue, ii) a 4% overall additional revenue increase due to a 68% increase of Texas revenue, iii) an aggregate 9% increase in inflation fuel and environmental fees with new charges for additional ancillary cleaning services, and iv) a 6% rebound from the suppressed COVID-19 economy, including a major increase in discarded boxes due to an increase of residential delivery of products. We formed Partner I and Partner II for the purpose of specific equipment sales-type financing leases. Finance lease revenue was \$37,659 in 2022 compared to \$40,764 in 2021.

##### *Selling, general and administrative expenses*

Our selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2022 was \$3,851,619 compared to \$2,275,989 for the year ended December 31, 2021, an increase of \$1,575,630. The increase was due to an increase in WCI management fees of \$1,162,000, an increase in WCI bad-debt expense of \$33,420, an increase in legal fees of \$11,404, and an increase of WCI professional service fees of \$337,540.

##### *Other income and expense*

Other income and expense, net, totaled \$1,272,756 for the year ended December 31, 2022, compared to \$157,650 for the year ended December 31, 2021, an increase of \$1,115,106. The increase was due to the one time and non-recurring Employee Retention Tax credit of \$1,012,621, net of associated filing expenses.

##### *Net results*

The net result for the year ended December 31, 2022 was a net loss attributable to Mentor of \$471,386 or (\$0.021) per Mentor common share compared to a loss attributable to Mentor of \$272,848 or (\$0.012) per Mentor common share for the year ended December 31, 2021. Management will continue to make an effort to lower operating expenses and increase revenue and gross margin. The Company will continue to look for acquisition opportunities to expand its portfolio, ideally with companies that are positive for operating revenue or have the potential to become positive for operating revenue.

##### *Changes in cash flows*

At December 31, 2022, we had cash of \$789,930 and working capital of \$764,935. Operating cash outflows during 2022 were \$172,590, inflows from investing activities were \$356,312, and outflows from financing activities were \$192,912. We are evaluating various options to raise additional funds, including loans. See discussion of cash flow changes under the next section, Liquidity and Capital Resources.

## *Liquidity and Capital Resources*

Since our reorganization, we have raised capital through warrant holder exercise of warrants to purchase shares of Common Stock. At December 31, 2022, we had cash of \$789,930 and working capital of \$764,935. Operating cash inflows in the year ended December 31, 2022 were \$172,590, including (\$366,925) of net loss, less gain on equipment disposal of (\$26,168), less amortization of discount on our investment in account receivable of (\$56,806), plus decrease in accrued interest receivable of (\$86,325), plus loss on investment in securities of \$833, plus loss on long-term investments of \$110,772, plus decrease in operating assets of \$107,392, which is partially offset by non-cash depreciation and amortization of \$71,257, non-cash amortization of right of use assets of \$218,821, bad debt expense of \$53,000, and an decrease in operating liabilities of (\$10,086). In 2022, WCI received a non-recurring Employee Retention Tax Credit of 50% to 70% of qualified wages paid in certain calendar quarters to employees. The Employee Retention Tax Credit provided a net increase to liquidity of \$1,012,621 for the year ended December 31, 2022. This credit was provided in conjunction with WCI's professional employer organization as applied to WCI leased employees. Absent WCI's receipt of the Employee Retention Tax Credit, cash outflows of approximately \$900,000 may have exceeded working capital, if left unchanged.

Net cash inflows in 2022 from investing activities were \$356,312 including, and proceeds from investment in accounts receivable of \$42,930, partially, purchases of property and equipment of (\$40,609), and down payments on right of use assets of (\$42,675).

Net outflows from financing activities in 2022 were (\$192,912), including, repayments from related party notes of \$50,000, proceeds from warrants converted to common stock of \$14,347, offset by payments on long-term debt of (\$28,476), payments to related parties notes of (\$21,950) and payments on finance lease liability of (\$206,833).

We will be required to raise additional funds through financing, additional collaborative relationships, or other arrangements until we are able to raise revenues to a point of positive cash flow. During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, we experienced significant operating losses and liquidity constraints. If we are unable to make a return on our investments to generate positive cash flow and cannot obtain sufficient capital from non-portfolio-related sources to fund operations and pay liabilities in a timely manner, we may have to cease our operations. Securing additional sources of financing to enable us to continue investing in our target markets will be difficult, and there is no assurance of our ability to secure such financing. A failure to obtain additional financing and generate positive cash flow from operations could prevent us from making expenditures that are needed to pay current obligations, allow us to hire additional personnel, and continue to seek out and invest in new companies. This leaves substantial doubt as to our ability to continue as a going concern.

We believe our existing available resources and opportunities will be sufficient to satisfy our funding requirements for twelve months.

In addition, on February 9, 2015, in accordance with Section 1145 of the United States Bankruptcy Code and the Company's court-approved Plan of Reorganization, the Company announced a minimum 30-day partial redemption of up to 1% (approximately 90,000) of the already outstanding Series D warrants to provide for the court specified redemption mechanism for warrants not exercised timely by the original holder or their estates. Company designees that applied during the 30 days paid 10 cents per warrant to redeem the warrant and then exercised the Series D warrant to purchase a share at the court specified formula of not more than one-half of the closing bid price on the day preceding the 30-day exercise period. In the Company's October 7, 2016 press release, Mentor stated that the 1% redemptions which were formerly priced on a calendar month schedule would subsequently be initiated and be priced on a random date schedule after the prior 1% redemption is completed to prevent potential third-party manipulation of share prices at month-end. The periodic partial redemptions may continue, at the Company's discretion, to be recalculated and repeated until such unexercised warrants are exhausted, or the partial redemption is otherwise truncated by the Company.

There were no warrant redemptions in 2022 or 2021.

### **Disclosure About Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We do not have any transactions, agreements or other contractual arrangements that constitute off-balance sheet arrangements.

### **Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

As a "smaller reporting company" as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act, we are not required to provide the information called for by this item.

**Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.**

**MENTOR CAPITAL, INC.**

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**Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.**

There have been no changes in or disagreements with accountants on accounting and financial disclosure.

**Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.**

*(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures*

Management, with the participation of our chief executive officer and principal financial officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives. In addition, the design of disclosure controls and procedures must reflect the fact that there are resources constraints and that management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the benefits of possible controls and procedures relative to their costs.

Based on management's evaluation, our chief executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that, as of December 31, 2022, our disclosure controls and procedures are designed at a reasonable assurance level and are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information we are required to disclose in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our managers, including our consulting chief executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

*(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting.*

We regularly review our system of internal control over financial reporting and make changes to our processes and systems to improve controls and increase efficiency while ensuring that we maintain an effective internal control environment. Changes may include such activities as implementing new, more efficient systems, consolidating activities, and migrating processes.

Effective October 22, 2020, our former Chief Financial Officer agreed to provide services pursuant to a certain Contract Chief Financial Officer Agreement, her consulting services relating to internal control remained similar until our new arrangement with a new firm, and; she retains her position as Treasurer of the Company's Board of Directors. Effective January 1, 2023, the Company obtained Chief Financial Officer and Certified Public Accountant services from AccountedFor; consulting services remained similar to that of our former consultant. There have been no other changes in internal control over financial reporting in the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

(c) *Management's report on internal control over financial reporting*

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act. The Company's internal control system is designed to provide reasonable assurance to the Company's management and Board of Directors regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- Pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and
- Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitation, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management, with the participation of our chief executive officer and principal financial officer, conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 based on the framework set forth in the *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* (2013), issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this evaluation, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2022.

**Item 9B. Other Information.**

None

**Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections.**

Not applicable.



## PART III

### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers, and Corporate Governance.

Our executive officers and directors, and their respective ages, as of December 31, 2022, are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
Chet Billingsley	70	President and Chief Executive Officer, Principal Financial Officer, and Chairman of the Board of Directors
Lori Stansfield	63	Treasurer and Director
Robert B. Meyer	83	Secretary and Director
David G. Carlile	67	Director and Audit Committee Chair

**Chet Billingsley** has been our Chief Executive Officer since 1994 and founded the private company predecessor of the Company in 1985. On May 6, 2017, Mr. Billingsley was appointed as a member of Mentor’s Audit Committee. On March 24, 2022 Mr. Billingsley resigned from Mentor’s Audit Committee. On August 7, 2021, Mr. Billingsley was appointed as Principal Financial Officer. On behalf of the Company, Mr. Billingsley has conducted dozens of acquisitions and business financings during this period. He began investing in 1979 and, as CEO, successfully completed the Series 65 examination and briefly was a registered investment advisor with an affiliated portfolio entity in 2010. He received his undergraduate education at West Point, and a master’s degree in Applied Physics from Harvard University, with concurrent study at Harvard Business School and at MIT. Mr. Billingsley worked at General Electric from January 1979 to June 1985. An avid business writer and promoter of ethical business dealings, Mr. Billingsley wrote “In Defense of Business Ethics” in *Management Today*.

**Lori J. Stansfield**, CPA, served as our Chief Financial Officer between May 27, 2014 and May 14, 2021. On April 9, 2015, Lori was appointed as a director and named our Treasurer. On October 22, 2020, in connection with the Company’s relocation of its corporate headquarters to Plano, Texas, Ms. Stansfield agreed to temporarily continue providing chief financial officer services to the Company as an independent contractor and as our Chief Financial Officer. On May 17, 2021, Lori Stansfield’s services as a contract chief financial officer with Mentor concluded. Ms. Stansfield’s departure from serving as Mentor’s chief financial officer was amicable, and there were no accounting disagreements. Additionally, from October 28, 2021 to November 15, 2022, Ms. Stansfield provided financial oversight and chief financial officer support to assist with the Company’s financial preparation and reporting obligations. Since January 1, 2023, Ms. Stansfield’s consulting role has been limited to providing transitional chief financial officer support to the successor chief financial officer and chief principal accounting firm, AccountedFor. Ms. Stansfield remains the Company’s Treasurer and director; she also continues to be a significant shareholder of the Company. Ms. Stansfield is also the Chief Financial Officer of NeuCourt, Inc., an entity in which the Company has purchased convertible promissory notes and shares of common stock. In addition to the services Ms. Stansfield provides to Mentor Capital, Inc., and her role as Chief Financial Officer of NeuCourt, Inc. Ms. Stansfield currently serves as a consultant to various private and public companies. For six years prior to joining Mentor, Ms. Stansfield was Director of Audit Services for Robert R. Redwitz & Co., in San Diego, California. She has taught, written about, managed, audited, and prepared financial statements during the past thirty years. She graduated magna cum laude in accounting from the University of Colorado in Denver and where she also received a master’s degree in marketing. She is certified as a public accountant in both Colorado and California. Ms. Stanfield has no affiliated or conflicting outside business interests.

**Robert B. Meyer**, was named Secretary of the Board of Directors on April 9, 2015. He previously held a director position between January 11, 2000 and August 27, 2003 and later returned to this role on April 29, 2012. As the largest outside shareholder, Mr. Meyer has been a senior professional voice in the Company’s management for over 19 years. Mr. Meyer was the founder, publisher, and editor of a business magazine, *Barter News*, which went into print in 1979. In 2003, he began a monthly newsletter called *The Competitive Edge*. He was one of the first charter inductees of the International Reciprocal Trade Association’s “Barter Hall of Fame,” and he has twice addressed the American Countertrade Association, a prestigious organization of Major Fortune 500 companies who countertrades in billions of dollars annually. As a business founder, Mr. Meyer brings his knowledge and business understanding to Board discussions. Mr. Meyer is a former professional baseball player, playing in the major leagues with New York Yankees, Kansas City Athletics, Los Angeles Angels, Seattle Pilots, and Milwaukee Brewers from 1960 - 1971. Mr. Meyer has no affiliated or conflicting outside business interests.

**David G. Carlile** was appointed as a director on April 14, 2017, and on May 6, 2017, he was appointed as a member of Mentor's Audit Committee and named Audit Committee Chairman. He has served as a consultant and advisor to corporate and financial executives for over 35 years. From 1979 to 1996, Mr. Carlile served in several managerial roles at Atlantic Richfield Company, where he was involved in operations, financial analysis, and acquisitions. Between 1996 to 2000, Mr. Carlile was Executive VP, Director, and General Manager of a division of Savage Industries, Inc. where he was also involved with financial analysis and acquisitions. He has been the President of Carlile Enterprises, Inc. for over 20 years and he served as the Vice President of Marketing and Sales with Lighthouse Resources from 2012 through May 2016. Mr. Carlile received his Bachelor of Science in Mining Geology from the Imperial College, University of London, in 1977. He also received a master's degree in Mining Engineering from the University of Arizona in 1979. Mr. Carlile has no affiliated or conflicting outside business interests.

#### **Director Qualifications**

The selection of directors is a complex and subjective process requiring consideration of many intangible factors. The Company believes that candidates should generally meet the following criteria:

- Significant historic or current Mentor share ownership.
- Business founder and CEO experience.
- Broad training, experience, and a successful track record at senior policy-making levels in business, government, education, technology, accounting, law, consulting and/or administration;
- The highest personal and professional ethics, integrity, and values;
- Commitment to representing the long-term interests of the Company and all of its shareholders;
- An inquisitive and objective perspective, strength of character, and the mature judgment essential to effective decision making;
- Expertise that is useful to the Company and complementary to the background and experience of other Board members; and
- Sufficient time to devote to Board activities and to enhance their knowledge of our business, operations, and industry.

The Board believes that our current directors meet these criteria. The directors bring a strong and diversified background and set of essential skills to the Board, as described above in the director descriptions.

#### **Term of Office**

All directors hold office until the next annual meeting of shareholders and until their respective successors are elected. Directors may also be elected at any special meeting of shareholders held for that purpose. Nominees for the board of directors are presented by management. Except for a vacancy created by the removal of a director, all vacancies in the Board of Directors, whether caused by resignation, death or otherwise, may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors, though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director, and each director so elected shall hold office until his successor is elected at an annual, regular or special meeting of the shareholders. Vacancies created by the removal of a director may be filled only by approval of the shareholders. The shareholders may elect a director at any time to fill any vacancy not filled by the directors.

### **Certain Legal Proceedings**

No director, nominee for director, or executive officer of the Company has appeared as a party in any legal proceeding material to an evaluation of his or her ability or integrity during the past ten years.

### **Audit Committee**

On May 6, 2017, a resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board to create an audit committee, and the following board members were appointed to serve on the committee: Stan Shaul, who was a former board member, David Carlile, and Chet Billingsley. It was further resolved that David Carlile serve as the chairman of the Company's Audit Committee. On May 15, 2021, due to his employer's acquisition by a prominent public company, Mr. Shaul tendered his resignation effective May 15, 2021. Due to the acquisition, Mr. Shaul was no longer able to serve as a board member or audit committee member of Mentor Capital or any other public company. Due to his non-independent status, effective with the filing date of Mentor's 2021 Annual Report on Form 10-K, April 15, 2021, Mr. Billingsley resigned as an Audit Committee member. On March 19, 2022, the Board approved the Company's Audit Committee Charter and reappointed David Carlile to serve as the Company's sole Audit Committee Member to be effective as of the filing date of Mentor's 2021 Form 10-K, April 15, 2021. Our Audit Committee Charter may be found on Mentor's website at <https://ir.mentorcapital.com/corporate-governance>.

Our Audit Committee is responsible for, among other things, assisting the Board in fulfilling its general oversight responsibilities with respect to the Company's accounting and financial disclosures, audits of the financial statements, internal controls, and audit functions.

As part of the financial statement audit, the auditors are required to communicate with the Audit Committee by written communication. The Audit Committee discusses the audited financial statements with management.

The Audit Committee had one meeting in 2021 and one meeting in 2022. Both meetings were attended by all Audit Committee members.

### **Membership of the Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee shall be comprised of one to five directors as determined by the Board, of which a majority of the members shall satisfy the independence requirements of Section 10A(m)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and all other regulatory requirements applicable to the Company.

David Carlile, our sole audit committee member as of April 15, 2021, and Audit Committee Chair is considered independent under the Audit Committee Charter. Mr. Carlile understands fundamental financial statements, including the Company's balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement. Mr. Carlile has a depth of experience advising private and public companies on mergers and acquisitions from a financial perspective. He is an "audit committee financial expert" as defined under applicable SEC rules. Each Audit Committee member shall continue to be a member as long as they remain directors and until their successors as committee members are elected and qualified or until their earlier death, incapacity, resignation, or removal. Any member may be removed by the Board, with or without cause, and for no cause, at any time. Vacancies on the Audit Committee may be filled by the Board.

The Audit Committee of Mentor Capital, Inc. has reviewed and discussed with management the Company's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022. In addition, it has discussed with BF Borgers CPA PC the matters required by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and the Commission. Also, the Audit Committee has received from BF Borgers CPA PC the written disclosures required by the Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 and has discussed with BF Borgers CPA PC its independence from the Company. Based upon this information and these materials, the Audit Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that the audited financial statements be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

### **Compensation or Nominating Committees and Conflicts of Interest**

The Board does not have a compensation committee comprised of independent directors; the functions that would have been performed by such committee are performed by our directors as a whole. The Board of Directors has not established a nominating committee. The Board has been of the opinion that such committees are not necessary since the Company is small and to date, the entire Board of Directors has been performing the functions of such committees. Thus, there is a potential conflict of interest in that our directors and officers have the authority to determine issues concerning management compensation and nominations that may affect management decisions.

We do not have a policy regarding the consideration of any director candidates which may be recommended by our stockholders. Our Board has not considered or adopted a policy regarding the consideration of director candidates recommended by our stockholders as we have not received a recommendation from any stockholder for any candidate to serve on our Board for over ten years. We do not know if any of our stockholders will make a recommendation for any candidate to serve on our Board given the relatively small size of our company and the small remuneration for attendance at the Board meetings.

The Board has responsibility for establishing broad corporate policies and reviewing our overall performance rather than day-to-day operations. The primary responsibility of the Board is to oversee the management of the Company and, in doing so, serve the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. The Board selects, evaluates, and provides for the succession of executive officers and, subject to stockholder election, directors. It reviews and approves major corporate strategy changes and evaluates significant policies and proposed major commitments of corporate resources. The Board also participates in decisions that have a potential major economic impact on the Company. Management keeps the directors informed of Company activity through regular communication.

Director compensation for attendance at each regular or special meeting of the Board, if any, is set by Board resolution. Officers of the Company are appointed by the Board. The salaries of the officers shall be fixed from time to time by the Board. The CEO's compensation has not been changed by the Board since 2000.

Shareholders may contact the Chairman of the Board by telephone or email at the Company's corporate offices with any questions or concerns they wish to have addressed. The Chairman will discuss any material shareholder questions, concerns, or other information with the other directors, as necessary.

#### **Board Leadership and Role in Risk Oversight**

Chet Billingsley acts as Mentor's Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. Robert Meyer acts as the Company's Secretary and lead independent director. Mentor has determined that its leadership structure is appropriate as Mentor is a small company, and Mr. Billingsley is the most familiar with the various industries and their related risks. The Board has direct discussions with the CEO and suggests operating approaches to mitigate identified risks on a regular basis. Because all independent directors are major shareholders, direct discussions reinforce the priority of reducing shareholder risk and increasing shareholder return to all corporate actions.

#### **Familial Relationships Amongst Directors and Executives**

There are no family relationships between any of our directors or executive officers and any other directors or executive officers.

#### **Meetings of the Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors of Mentor conducts business through meetings of the Board or by unanimous written consents of the Board. Such actions by written consent of all directors are, according to Delaware corporate law and our bylaws, valid and effective as if they had been passed at a meeting of the directors duly called and held. With the exception of Mr. Billingsley and Ms. Stansfield, all directors are independent directors under the adopted definition of independence from the NASDAQ Marketplace Rule 4200(a)(15). The directors are all shareholders of the Company.

Mentor held four meetings of the Board of Directors in 2021 and four meetings of the Board of Directors in 2020. All directors attended each of the meetings.

#### **Code of Ethics**

On March 21, 2019, the Company adopted a Code of Ethics in compliance with Section 406 of Regulation S-K, which is applicable to all officers, directors, and employees of the Company. The Code of Ethics is available at the Company's website at <https://ir.mentorcapital.com/governance-docs> without charge. Interested persons may also request a copy of such Code of Ethics without charge by contacting the Company at the address or telephone number included on the cover page of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Our Code of Ethics emphasizes that “The men and women of business are the stewards of the assets of society. If we are good and faithful in our work, the world becomes a better place.” We are to avoid “carelessness” and “waste” and comply with applicable governmental laws, rules, and regulations at all levels of government in the United States and in any non-U.S. jurisdiction in which the Company does business. We are to “act in good faith, with due care, and shall engage only in fair and open competition, by treating ethically competitors, suppliers, customers, and colleagues.”

## Environment

Management continually seeks to improve and make sustainable decisions that eliminate waste and promote our ethical goal of stewardship of society’s environmental assets for the greater good of our stakeholders, the public, and future generations. In part, we accomplish these goals by ensuring that we engage in environmentally and socially responsible decisions, including decisions aligned with energy efficiency, recycling, and waste avoidance. Before and during COVID-19, we continued to support our vendors, employees, investees, stakeholders, small businesses, and those affected by COVID-19, regardless of COVID-19 related service decreases and COVID-19 related delays. The principles of respect for others in the form of fair compensation and good faith business dealings irrespective of race, alienage, national origin, religion, or gender have been management’s top priority for over thirty-five years. We will continue to treat others with fairness and respect, seek corporate opportunities that benefit shareholders, align with our ethical stewardship principles, and avoid conflicts of interest to ensure that our conduct remains consistent with our Code of Ethics.

Our 51% owned subsidiary, Waste Consolidators, Inc., provides cost-effective, environmentally responsible waste management disposal services in Phoenix, Austin, San Antonio, Houston, and Dallas. WCI assists its customers in managing and reducing excess waste from collection to disposal. It ensures that the property locations of its clients are clean and maintained through its responsible, timely, and environmentally friendly waste consolidation, bulk item pickup, general property maintenance, and one-time clean-up services. Additionally, WCI delivers a portion of the waste it collects to facilities that recover, recycle, and reuse waste products to support cleanliness and environmental sustainability.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The following table summarizes all compensation recorded by us in each of the last two completed fiscal years for our principal executive officer and each other executive officer whose annual compensation exceeded \$100,000. The value attributable to any option awards, if any, is computed in accordance with FASB ASC 718 “*Compensation - Stock Compensation*.”

### Summary Executive Compensation Table

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Salary (\$)</u>	<u>Bonus (\$)</u>	<u>Stock Awards (\$)</u>	<u>Option Awards (\$)</u>	<u>Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)</u>	<u>Nonqualified Deferred Compensation (\$)</u>	<u>All Other Compensation (\$)</u>	<u>Total (\$)</u>
Chet Billingsley Chairman, CEO, & Principal Financial Officer	2022	104,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	13,033 <sup>(4)</sup>	4,250 <sup>(2)</sup>	121,283
	2021	104,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0 <sup>(3)</sup>	60,516 <sup>(4)</sup>	6,500 <sup>(2)</sup>	171,016

(1) Base annual salary for the Chief Executive Officer of \$104,000 per year plus accrued \$12,000 vacation pay and accrued \$4,000 sick pay has not changed from the amount set by the court in the 1998 Chapter 11 bankruptcy document. In 2021, Mr. Billingsley voluntarily deferred \$16,000 of his annual compensation, resulting in a base 2021 annual salary of \$88,000. In 2022, Mr. Billingsley received \$16,000 in deferred 2021 salary that was previously accrued and reported in 2021 and \$104,000 base salary. Mr. Billingsley’s accrued vacation and sick pay is reported as nonqualified deferred compensation.

(2) Mr. Billingsley received compensation for his service as a member of Mentor’s Board of Directors. In the second half of 2021 Board fees for regular quarterly Board meetings were reduced from \$2,000 per meeting to \$1,000 per meeting. In 2021, Mr. Billingsley attended four regular Board Meetings and was paid \$2,000 each for the first two regular Board Meetings, \$1,000 each for the other two regular Board Meetings, and \$500 for the one annual Audit Committee meeting he attended. Mr. Billingsley was paid \$1,000 for his attendance at the four regular quarterly Board meetings and \$250 for his attendance at annual Audit Committee meeting held in 2022.

(3) The CEO earns an incentive fee and a bonus which are payable in cash upon a merger, resignation, or termination or in installments at the CEO's option. The incentive fee is 1% of the increase in market capitalization on a high watermark basis, based on the bid price of the Company's stock beyond the book value at confirmation of the reorganization, which was approximately \$260,000. The bonus is 0.5% of the increase in market capitalization for each \$1.00 increase in stock price up to a maximum of \$8 per share (4%) based on the bid price of the stock beyond the book value at confirmation of the reorganization. This incentive was authorized in 1998 and confirmed in 2000 under the Company's Plan of Reorganization.

(4) In 2022, our accrual for estimated retirement and other benefits to Mr. Billingsley increased by \$13,033. This consisted of \$3,589 accrued medical and life insurance, \$4,077 accrued sick, \$12,231 accrued vacation, \$8,664 accrued officer severance, and \$2,404 interest on officer relocation, less a reduction on accrued relocation costs of \$17,931 due to a reimbursement of the previously accrued costs. In 2021, our accrual for estimated retirement and other benefits to Mr. Billingsley increased by \$17,893 and Mr. Billingsley was reimbursed for previously accrued relocation costs of \$42,623.

#### Director Compensation

The following table sets forth information concerning the compensation of directors of Mentor, other than Mr. Billingsley for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Director Name	Fees Earned or Paid In Cash (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)	Option Awards (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)	Nonqualified Deferred Compensation (\$)	All Other Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Robert B. Meyer	4,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,000
David G. Carlile	4,250 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,250
Lori J. Stansfield	4,125 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	56,618 <sup>(2)</sup>	60,743

(1) Each director was paid \$1,000 for their attendance at the four regular quarterly Board meetings. Mr. Carlile was paid \$250 for his attendance at annual Audit Committee meeting held in 2022. Ms. Stansfield was paid \$125 for her attendance at annual Audit Committee meeting held in 2022.

(2) In 2022, Ms. Stansfield provided chief financial officer consulting services to the Company from January 1, 2022 to November 15, 2022. As a result, Ms. Stansfield received \$56,618 in professional consulting fees.

Mentor does not currently have any equity incentive plan in place for officers, directors, or employees. As an emerging growth company, we are not required to report pay versus performance.

## Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

### Beneficial Ownership of Directors, Officers, and 5% Stockholders

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage of ownership of that person, shares of Common Stock subject to options and warrants held by that person that are currently exercisable or become exercisable within 60 days are deemed outstanding even if they have not actually been exercised. Those shares, however, are not deemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. The following table sets forth certain information as to shares of our Common Stock owned by (i) each person known to beneficially own more than five percent of our outstanding Common Stock or Preferred Stock, (ii) each of our directors, and executive officers named in our summary compensation table, and (iii) all of our executive officers and directors as a group.

The percent ownership information presented in the table below is based on the total number of shares of Mentor's Common Stock outstanding as of March 27, 2023, which was 22,941,357.

Title of Security	Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percentage of Class
Common Stock	Chet Billingsley 5964 Campus Court Plano, TX 75093	2,381,570 <sup>(1, 2)</sup>	8.16 <sup>(6)</sup> %
Common Stock	Robert B. Meyer 21141 Canada Road, #7E Lake Forest, CA 92677	1,303,789 <sup>(3)</sup>	4.47 <sup>(6)</sup> %
Common Stock	David G. Carlile 10901 Bullrush Drive Venice, FL 34293	270,908 <sup>(4)</sup>	0.93 <sup>(6)</sup> %
Common Stock	Lori Stansfield 903 N Towner Street Santa Ana, CA 92703	240,000 <sup>(5)</sup>	0.82 <sup>(6)</sup> %
Common Stock	Directors and Officers as a group	4,282,067	14.38 <sup>(7)</sup> %

(1) 208,000 of Mr. Billingsley's shares of Common Stock are held in a Rule 10b5-1 Plan, which has been ongoing and was most recently rolled forward and effective February 15, 2023, under third party control to preclude any directed share sales by him when non-public information is known. Mr. Billingsley's set sales orders under the Rule 10b5-1 Plan are less than 16,000 shares per week. Rule 10b5-1 sales are expected to continue through the filing of this report. His remaining shares are held in certificate form outside of a brokerage account and are not immediately available for sale.

(2) In addition to 334,296 shares of Common Stock, Mr. Billingsley also holds 2,047,274 Series D warrants exercisable at \$1.60 per share. As of the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, Mr. Billingsley has not exercised any of these Series D warrants.

(3) In addition to 864,834 shares of Common Stock, Mr. Meyer also holds 438,955 Series D warrants exercisable at \$1.60 per share. As of the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, Mr. Meyer has not exercised any of these Series D warrants.

(4) In addition to 268,408 shares of Common Stock, Mr. Carlile holds 2,500 Series D warrants exercisable at \$1.60 per share. As of the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, Mr. Carlile has not exercised any of these Series D warrants.

(5) In addition to 50,000 shares of Common Stock, Ms. Stansfield holds 190,000 Series D warrants exercisable at \$1.60 per share. As of the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, Ms. Stansfield has not exercised any of these Series D warrants.

(6) The Percentage of Class ownership of Mr. Billingsley, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Carlile, and Ms. Stansfield is calculated based on the total number of outstanding shares of Common Stock (22,941,357) and Series D warrants (6,250,000).

(7) Calculated based on the diluted Percentage of Class ownership of the Registrant's management, executive officers, and directors.

If an individual or entity tried to take control of the Company, Mr. Billingsley is authorized to obtain a loan from the Company to pay for the exercise of his unexercised Series D warrants.

### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

Except as disclosed below, between January 1, 2021, and December 31, 2022, there were no transactions, and there are no proposed transactions, in which we were or are to be a participant, involving an amount in excess of \$120,000, and in which any related person had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

Mr. Billingsley acts as both the Chief Executive Officer, Principal Financial Officer, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. Ms. Stansfield acts as Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Company, and from time to time she provides professional financial consulting services to the Company. Mr. Meyer acts as the Company's Secretary but is not paid for his role and is not a Company employee. With the exception of Mr. Billingsley and Ms. Stansfield, all directors are independent directors under the adopted definition of independence from the NASDAQ Marketplace Rule 4200(a)(15). The directors are all shareholders of the Company. Mr. Carlile is the sole independent director on the Audit Committee.

### Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services.

The following table summarizes the fees, as applicable, of BF Borgers CPA PC, our independent auditor for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Fee Category	2022	2021
Audit Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 54,300	\$ 54,000
Audit-Related Fees <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-
Tax Return Fees <sup>(3)</sup>	-	4,500
All Other Fees <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-

- (1) Audit fees include the audit of our annual financial statements, review of our quarterly financial statements and services that are normally provided by the independent auditors in connection with engagements for those fiscal years. This category also includes advice on audit and accounting matters that arose during, or as a result of, the audit or the review of interim financial statements.
- (2) Audit-related fees consist of assurance and related services by the independent auditors that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our financial statements and are reported above under "Audit Fees." The services for the fees disclosed under this category include consultation regarding our correspondence with the SEC and other accounting consulting. Mentor did not incur any audit-related fees in fiscal years 2022 or 2021.
- (3) The services for the fees disclosed under this category include tax return preparation and technical tax advice.
- (4) All other fees, if any, consist of fees for other miscellaneous items.

Our Board has adopted a procedure for pre-approval of all fees charged by our independent auditors. Under the procedure, the Board approves the engagement letter with respect to audit, tax, and review services. Other fees are subject to pre-approval by the Board, or, in the period between meetings, by a designated member of Board. Any such approval by the designated member is disclosed to the entire Board at the next meeting. The audit and tax fees paid to the auditors with respect to 2022 and 2021 were pre-approved by the entire Board.



## PART IV

### Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

#### Financial Statements

The Company is filing the following financial statements with this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

- [Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm](#)
- [Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2022 and 2021](#)
- [Consolidated Income Statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021](#)
- [Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity \(Deficit\) for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021](#)
- [Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021](#)
- [Notes to the Financial Statements](#)

#### Item 16. Form 10-K Summary.

None.

#### Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
3.1	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Mentor's Definitive Information Statement on Schedule 14C filed with the SEC on July 10, 2015).</a>
3.2	<a href="#">Bylaws of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Mentor's Definitive Information Statement on Schedule 14C filed with the SEC on July 10, 2015).</a>
4.1	<a href="#">Instrument Defining Rights of Security Holders. (A copy of our Bankruptcy Plan of Reorganization, including Mentor's Sixth Amended Disclosure Statement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 of our Registration Statement on Form 10, filed with the SEC on November 19, 2014.)</a>
4.2	<a href="#">Description of assumed warrants to purchase shares of Mentor's Common Stock (Incorporated by reference to Mentor's Definitive Information Statement on Schedule 14C filed with the SEC on July 10, 2015).</a>
4.3	<a href="#">Certificate of Designations of Rights, Preferences, Privileges, and Restrictions of Series O Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to Mentor's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Period Ended September 30, 2017, filed with the SEC on November 9, 2017).</a>
4.4	<a href="#">Description of Company's Securities.</a>
21.1	<a href="#">Subsidiaries of the Company.</a>
31.1	<a href="#">Certification of the Chief Executive Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</a>
31.2	<a href="#">Certification of the Principal Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</a>
32.1	<a href="#">Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</a>
32.2	<a href="#">Certification of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</a>
101	XBRL Exhibits
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Annual Report for the period ending December 31, 2022 on Form 10-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**Mentor Capital, Inc.**

Date: March 27, 2023

By: /s/ Chet Billingsley  
Chet Billingsley,  
Director, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Principal Financial Officer

Directors

Date: March 27, 2023

By: /s/ Lori Stansfield  
Lori Stansfield  
Director and Treasurer

Date: March 27, 2023

By: /s/ David Carlile  
David Carlile  
Director

Date: March 27, 2023

By: /s/ Robert Meyer  
Robert Meyer  
Director and Secretary

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the shareholders and the board of directors of Mentor Capital, Inc.

### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Mentor Capital, Inc. (the “Company”) as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the related statements of operations, stockholders’ equity (deficit), and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

### Going Concern

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared to assume that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Company has suffered recurring losses from operations and has a significant accumulated deficit. In addition, the Company continues to experience negative cash flows from operations. These factors raise substantial doubt about the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern. Management’s plans in regard to these matters are also described in Note 2. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the United States Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

*/s/ BF Borgers CPA PC*

**BF Borgers CPA PC**

We have served as the Company’s auditor since 2014.

Lakewood, CO

March 27, 2023

**Mentor Capital, Inc.**  
Consolidated Balance Sheets  
December 31, 2022 and 2021

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 789,930	\$ 453,939
Investment in securities, at fair value	-	1,009
Accounts receivable, net	633,778	706,418
Other receivable	230,322	33,222
Net finance leases receivable, current portion	-	76,727
Convertible notes receivable, current portion	-	58,491
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	66,000	18,034
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>1,720,030</b>	<b>1,347,840</b>
<b>Property and equipment</b>		
Property and equipment	355,725	299,526
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(208,847)	(144,480)
<b>Property and equipment, net</b>	<b>146,878</b>	<b>155,046</b>
<b>Other assets</b>		
Operating lease right-of-use assets	370,164	41,128
Finance lease right-of-use assets	895,323	645,611
Investment in account receivable, net of discount and current portion	315,309	301,433
Net finance leases receivable, net of current portion	-	229,923
Convertible notes receivable, net of current portion	-	27,834
Contractual interests in legal recoveries	-	396,666
Deposits	25,575	9,575
Long term investments	94,431	205,203
Goodwill	1,426,182	1,426,182
<b>Total other assets</b>	<b>3,126,984</b>	<b>3,283,555</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 4,993,892</b>	<b>\$ 4,786,441</b>

**Mentor Capital, Inc.**  
Consolidated Balance Sheets (Continued)  
December 31, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 32,092	\$ 41,278
Accrued expenses	658,743	411,860
Related party payable	-	232,244
Deferred revenue	-	16,308
Economic injury disaster loan – current portion	3,191	-
Finance lease liability - current portion	232,058	167,515
Operating lease liability - current portion	62,861	42,058
Current portion of long-term debt	29,011	23,203
Total current liabilities	1,017,956	934,466
<b>Long-term liabilities</b>		
Accrued salary, retirement, and incentive fee - related party	1,153,948	1,127,865
Economic injury disaster loan	157,869	158,324
Finance lease liability, net of current portion	575,852	415,465
Operating lease liability, net of current portion	307,303	4,975
Long term debt, net of current portion	54,865	66,669
Total long-term liabilities	2,249,837	1,773,298
<b>Total liabilities</b>	3,267,793	2,707,764
<b>Commitments and Contingencies (Note 20)</b>		
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>		
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 and \$0.0001 par value, 5,000,000 and 5,000,000 shares authorized; 11 and 11 series Q preferred shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2022 and 2021*	-	-
Common stock, \$0.0001 and \$0.0001 par value, 75,000,000 and 75,000,000 shares authorized; 22,941,357 and 22,850,947 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2022 and 2021	2,294	2,285
Additional paid in capital	13,085,993	13,071,655
Accumulated deficit	(11,345,465)	(10,874,079)
Non-controlling interest	(16,723)	(121,184)
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>	1,726,099	2,078,677
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>	\$ 4,993,892	\$ 4,786,441

\*Par value is less than \$0.01

*See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements*

**Mentor Capital, Inc.**  
Consolidated Income Statements  
For The Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b>Revenue</b>		
Service fees	\$ 7,668,056	\$ 5,969,674
Finance lease revenue	37,659	40,764
<b>Total revenue</b>	<u>7,705,715</u>	<u>6,010,438</u>
<b>Cost of revenue</b>	<u>5,479,393</u>	<u>4,138,785</u>
<b>Gross profit</b>	2,226,322	1,871,653
Selling, general and administrative expenses	<u>3,851,620</u>	<u>2,275,989</u>
<b>Operating income (loss)</b>	<u>(1,625,298)</u>	<u>(404,336)</u>
<b>Other income and (expense)</b>		
Employee retention credits	1,350,161	-
Gain (loss) on investments in securities	(170,418)	1,017
Recovery (impairment) of investments	-	22,718
Interest income	58,730	70,229
Interest expense	(80,199)	(62,392)
Gain on equipment disposal	56,455	86
Paycheck protection program loans forgiven	-	87,122
EIDL grant	-	-
Other income	58,027	38,870
Total other income and (expense)	<u>1,272,756</u>	<u>157,650</u>
<b>Income (loss) before provision for income taxes</b>	(352,542)	(246,686)
Provision for income taxes	<u>14,383</u>	<u>9,780</u>
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	(366,925)	(256,466)
Gain (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	<u>104,461</u>	<u>16,382</u>
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to Mentor</b>	<u>\$ (471,386)</u>	<u>\$ (272,848)</u>
<b>Basic and diluted net income (loss) per Mentor common share:</b>		
Basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.021)</u>	<u>\$ (0.012)</u>
<b>Weighted average number of shares of Mentor common stock outstanding:</b>		
Basic and diluted	<u>22,941,357</u>	<u>22,850,947</u>

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Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity (Deficit)  
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	<b>Controlling Interest</b>								<b>Non- controlling equity (deficit)</b>	<b>Totals</b>
	<b>Preferred stock</b>		<b>Common stock</b>				<b>Total</b>			
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>\$0.0001 par*</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>\$0.0001 par</b>	<b>Additional paid in capital</b>	<b>Accumulated equity (deficit)</b>				
Balances at December 31, 2020	11	\$ -	22,850,947	\$ 2,285	\$ 13,071,655	\$ (10,601,231)	\$ 2,472,709	\$ (137,566)	\$ 2,335,143	
Net income (loss)	-	-	-	-	-	(272,848)	(272,848)	16,382	(256,466)	
Balance at December 31, 2021	11	\$ -	22,850,947	\$ 2,285	\$ 13,071,655	\$ (10,874,079)	\$ 2,199,861	\$ (121,184)	\$ 2,078,677	
Conversion of Warrants to Common Stock			90,410	9	14,338		14,347	-	14,347	
Net income (loss)	-	-	-	-	-	(471,386)	(471,386)	104,461	(366,925)	
Balance at December 31, 2022	11	\$ -	22,941,357	\$ 2,294	\$ 13,085,993	\$ (11,345,465)	\$ 1,742,822	\$ (16,723)	\$ 1,726,099	

\* Par value of Series Q preferred shares is less than \$1.

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**Mentor Capital, Inc.**  
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
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	2022	2021
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net loss	\$ (366,925)	\$ (256,466)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used by) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	71,257	51,710
Amortization of right of use asset	218,821	147,092
PPP loans forgiven	-	(86,593)
EIDL grant forgiven	-	-
(Gain) loss on equipment disposal	(26,168)	(86)
Bad debt expense	53,000	19,580
Amortization of discount on investment in account receivable	(56,806)	(65,657)
Change in accrued interest income	86,325	(4,287)
(Gain) loss on investment in securities, at fair value	(833)	(842)
(Gain) loss on long-term investments	110,772	(175)
Increase in deposits	(16,000)	-
(Gain) loss on investment in installment receivable	-	(22,718)
Decrease (increase) in operating assets		
Finance lease receivable	306,650	69,301
Accounts receivable - trade	19,640	(217,712)
Other receivables	(197,100)	(33,222)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(20,231)	3,555
Employee advances	(1,567)	(2,700)
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities		
Accounts payable	(9,186)	22,465
Accrued expenses	(10,675)	170,443
Deferred revenue	(16,308)	110
Accrued salary, retirement, and benefits - related party	26,083	(9,469)
Net cash provided by (used by) operating activities	<u>172,415</u>	<u>(215,671)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchase of investment securities	-	(38,471)
Proceeds from securities sold	176	73,130
Purchase of contractual interest in legal recovery	396,666	(15,137)
Purchases of property and equipment	(40,609)	(62,665)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	-	91,881
Down payment on right of use assets	(42,675)	(60,475)
Proceeds from investment in receivable	42,930	117,000
Net cash provided by (used by) investing activities	<u>356,488</u>	<u>105,263</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Proceeds from paycheck protection program loans	-	76,593
Payments on paycheck protection program loans	-	-
Proceeds from EIDL loan	-	-
Proceeds from EIDL grant	-	-
Proceeds from related party loan	50,000	200,000
Payments on short term loan from related party	(21,950)	-
Proceeds from warrants converted to common stock	14,347	-
Payments on long-term debt	(28,476)	(90,640)
Payments on finance lease liability	(206,833)	(127,780)
Net cash provided by (used by) financing activities	<u>(192,912)</u>	<u>58,173</u>
Net change in cash	335,991	(52,235)
Beginning cash	453,939	506,174
Ending cash	<u>\$ 789,930</u>	<u>\$ 453,939</u>
<b>SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:</b>		
Cash paid for interest	<u>\$ 302,312</u>	<u>\$ 47,128</u>
Cash paid for income taxes	<u>\$ 15,663</u>	<u>\$ 9,940</u>
<b>NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
Right of use assets acquired through operating lease liability	\$ -	\$ -
Right of use assets acquired through finance lease liability	\$ 431,762	\$ 440,258
Property and equipment acquired via long-term debt	<u>\$ 22,480</u>	<u>\$ 98,700</u>

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**Note 1 - Nature of operations**

Corporate Structure Overview

Mentor Capital, Inc. (“Mentor” or “the Company”), was reincorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware in September 2015.

The entity was originally founded as an investment partnership in Silicon Valley, California, by the current CEO in 1985 and subsequently incorporated under the laws of the State of California on July 29, 1994. On September 12, 1996, the Company’s offering statement was qualified pursuant to Regulation A of the Securities Act, and the Company began to trade its shares publicly. On August 21, 1998, the Company filed for voluntary reorganization, and on January 11, 2000, the Company emerged from Chapter 11 reorganization. The Company relocated to San Diego, California, and contracted to provide financial assistance and investment into small businesses. On May 22, 2015, a corporation named Mentor Capital, Inc. (“Mentor Delaware”) was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. A shareholder-approved merger between Mentor and Mentor Delaware was approved by the California and Delaware Secretaries of State, and became effective September 24, 2015, thereby establishing Mentor as a Delaware corporation. In September 2020, Mentor relocated its corporate office from San Diego, California to Plano, Texas.

The Company’s common stock trades publicly under the trading symbol OTCQB: MNTR.

The Company’s broad target industry focus includes energy, manufacturing, and management services with the goal of ensuring increased market opportunities.

The following is a list of subsidiaries of Mentor Capital, Inc. as of December 31, 2022:

Name of Subsidiary	% of ownership	State in which Incorporated
Waste Consolidators, Inc.	51%	Colorado
Mentor IP, LLC	100%	South Dakota
Mentor Partner I, LLC	100%	Texas
Mentor Partner II, LLC	100%	Texas
TWG, LLC	100%	Texas

Mentor’s 51% owned subsidiary, Waste Consolidators, Inc. (“WCI”), was incorporated in Colorado in 1999 and operates in Arizona and Texas. It is a long-standing investment of the Company since 2003.

Mentor’s 100% owned subsidiaries, Mentor IP, LLC (“MCIP”), Mentor Partner I, LLC, (“Partner I”), Mentor Partner II, LLC (“Partner II”), and TWG, LLC (“TWG”), are headquartered in Plano, Texas.

MCIP holds intellectual property and licensing rights related to one United States and coincident Canadian patent associated with THC and CBD vape pens. Patent maintenance fees were expensed when paid rather than capitalized and therefore, no capitalized assets related to MCIP are recognized on the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

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On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities and guarantors (“G Farma Settlers”) to resolve and settle all outstanding claims on an unpaid finance lease receivable and notes receivable of balances of \$803,399 and \$1,045,051, respectively, plus accrued interest (“Settlement Agreement”). On October 12, 2021, the parties filed a Stipulation for Dismissal and Continued Jurisdiction with the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Court ordered that it retain jurisdiction over the parties under Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure to enforce the Settlement Agreement until the performance in full of its terms is met.

In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022, the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments, and failed to cure each default within 10 days’ notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company’s incurred costs, and (3) attorneys’ fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment.

The Company has retained the reserve on collections of the unpaid lease receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments from G Farma will be recognized in Other Income as they are received. Recovery payments of \$3,550 and \$2,000 are included in other income in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. We will continue to pursue collection from the G Farma Settlers over time. See Notes 8 and 9.

On September 27, 2022, Pueblo West Organics, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company (“Pueblo West”) exercised a lease prepayment option and purchased manufacturing equipment from Partner II for \$245,369. On September 28, 2022 Partner II transferred full title to the equipment to Pueblo West. Originally, Mentor contributed \$400,000 to Partner II to facilitate the purchase of manufacturing equipment to be leased from Partner II by Pueblo West under a Master Equipment Lease Agreement dated February 11, 2018, as amended. On March 12, 2019, Mentor agreed to use Partner II earnings of \$61,368 to facilitate the purchase of additional manufacturing equipment to Pueblo West under a Second Amendment to the lease. See Note 9.

On November 18, 2022, following the filing of a declaratory relief action, Mentor received \$459,990 from Electrum Partners, LLC (“Electrum”) pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company’s October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. The Company applied \$196,666 to a certain October 30, 2018, Recovery Purchase Agreement, and \$200,000 to an October 31, 2018 and January 28, 2019 Capital Agreement. The Company applied the remaining \$63,324 to its \$194,028 equity interest in Electrum; this resulted in a \$130,704 loss on the Company’s investment in Electrum. See Note 10.

On December 21, 2018, Mentor paid \$10,000 to purchase 500,000 shares of NeuCourt, Inc. (“NeuCourt”) common stock, representing approximately 6.127% of NeuCourt’s issued and outstanding common stock at December 31, 2022.

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies**

Basis of presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements and related notes include the activity of subsidiaries in which a controlling financial interest is owned. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

Significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

As shown in the accompanying financial statements, the Company has a significant accumulated deficit of \$11,345,465 as of December 31, 2022. The Company continues to experience negative cash flows from operations.

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The Company will be required to raise additional capital to fund its operations and will continue to attempt to raise capital resources from both related and unrelated parties until such time as the Company is able to generate revenues sufficient to maintain itself as a viable entity. These factors have raised substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These financial statements are presented on the basis that we will continue as a going concern. The going concern concept contemplates the realization of assets and satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might be necessary if the Company is unable to continue as a going concern. There can be no assurances that the Company will be able to raise additional capital or achieve profitability. However, the Company has 6,250,000 Series D warrants outstanding in which the Company can reset the exercise price substantially below the current market price. Similarly, the Company could reverse split the stock to raise the stock price above the warrant exercise price. The warrants are specifically not affected and do not split with the shares in the event of a reverse split. These consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from repricing the outstanding warrants.

Management's plans include increasing revenues through acquisition, investment, and organic growth. Management anticipates funding these activities by raising additional capital through the sale of equity securities and debt.

Impact Related to COVID-19 and Global Economic Factors

The effect of the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") has significantly impacted the United States and the global economy. COVID-19 and the measures taken by many countries in response have adversely affected and could in the future materially adversely impact the Company's business, results of operations, financial condition, and stock price. As of December 31, 2022, the impact of COVID-19 continues to unfold. The ongoing worldwide economic situation, including the COVID-19 outbreak, economic sanctions, cybersecurity risks, the outbreak of war in Ukraine, future weakness in the credit markets, and significant liquidity problems for the financial services industry may impact our financial condition in a number of ways. For example, our current or potential customers, or the current or potential customers of our partners or affiliates, may delay or decrease spending with us, or may not pay us, or may delay paying us for previously purchased products and services. Also, we, or our partners or affiliates, may have difficulties in securing additional financing. Additionally, collectability of our investment in accounts receivable was impaired by \$0 and \$116,430 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, due to a reduction in our estimated collection amount for the 2021 and 2022 annual installment payments which were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and on February 15, 2022, the terms of the investment were modified, resulting in an additional loss of \$41,930, see Note 3.

Public health efforts to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 have included government actions such as travel restrictions, limitations on public gatherings, shelter in place orders, and mandatory closures. These actions are being lifted to varying degrees. Supply chain disruptions, inflation, high energy prices, and supply-demand imbalances are expected to continue in 2023. WCI has not experienced an overall reduced demand for services initially anticipated because WCI helps lower monthly service costs paid by its client properties. However, WCI has been directly affected by rapid increases to direct costs of fuel, labor, and landfill usage in 2020, 2021, and 2022. WCI's clients may experience a delay in collecting rent from tenants, which may cause slower payments to WCI. WCI closely monitors customer accounts and has not experienced significant delays in the collection of accounts receivable.

According to the Critical Infrastructure Standards released by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency on March 18, 2020, "Financial Services Sector" businesses, like Mentor, are considered "essential businesses." Because of the financial nature of Mentor's operations, which consist of oversight of our portfolio companies, accounting, compliance, investor relations, and sales, Mentor's day-to-day operations were not substantially hindered by remote office work or telework.

We anticipate that current available resources and opportunities will be sufficient for us to execute our business plan for one year after the date these financial statements are issued. The ultimate impact of COVID-19, the outbreak of war in Ukraine, and inflation, interest rate increases, and tax increases on our business, results of operations, cybersecurity, financial condition, and cash flows are dependent on future developments, including the duration of COVID-19 and the crisis in Ukraine, government responses, and the related length of this impact on the economy, which are uncertain and cannot be predicted at this time.

Segment reporting

The Company has determined that there were currently two reportable segments: 1) the historic cannabis and medical marijuana segment, and 2) the Company's legacy investment in WCI, which works with business park owners, governmental centers, and apartment complexes to reduce their facility related operating costs.

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Use of estimates

The preparation of our consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates, assumptions, and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our consolidated financial statements, and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

Significant estimates relied upon in preparing these consolidated financial statements include revenue recognition, accounts and notes receivable reserves, expected future cash flows used to evaluate the recoverability of long-lived assets, estimated fair values of long-lived assets used to record impairment charges related to investments, goodwill, amortization periods, accrued expenses, and recoverability of the Company's net deferred tax assets and any related valuation allowance.

Although the Company regularly assesses these estimates, actual results could differ materially from these estimates. Changes in estimates are recorded in the period in which they become known. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that it believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from management's estimates if past experience or other assumptions do not turn out to be substantially accurate.

Recent Accounting Standards

From time to time, the FASB or other standards setting bodies issue new accounting pronouncements. Updates to the FASB Accounting Standard Codifications ("ASCs") are communicated through issuance of an Accounting Standards Update ("ASU"). Unless otherwise discussed, we believe that the impact of recently issued guidance, whether adopted or to be adopted in the future, is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

***Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes*** – As of January 1, 2021, we adopted ASU No. 2019-12, *Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes*, which is designed to simplify the accounting for income taxes by removing certain exceptions to the general principles in Topic 740. ASU No. 2019-12 The adoption of this ASU did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Concentrations of cash

The Company maintains its cash and cash equivalents in bank deposit accounts which at times may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts nor does the Company believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all short-term debt securities purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Company had no short-term debt securities as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Accounts receivable

Accounts receivables consist of trade accounts arising in the normal course of business and are classified as current assets and carried at original invoice amounts less an estimate for doubtful receivables based on historical losses as a percent of revenue in conjunction with a review of outstanding balances on a quarterly basis. The estimate of allowance for doubtful accounts is based on the Company's bad debt experience, market conditions, and aging of accounts receivable, among other factors. If the financial condition of the Company's customers deteriorates resulting in the customer's inability to pay the Company's receivables as they come due, additional allowances for doubtful accounts will be required. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company has an allowance for doubtful receivables in the amount of \$53,692 and \$74,676, respectively.

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Investments in securities, at fair value

Investment in securities consists of debt and equity securities reported at fair value. Under ASU 2016-01, “*Financial Instruments - Overall: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*,” the Company elected to report changes in the fair value of equity investment in realized investment gains (losses), net.

Long term investments

The Company’s investments in entities where it is a minority owner and does not have the ability to exercise significant influence are recorded at fair value if readily determinable. If the fair market value is not readily determinable, the investment is recorded under the cost method. Under this method, the Company’s share of the earnings or losses of such investee company is not included in the Company’s financial statements. The Company reviews the carrying value of its long-term investments for impairment each reporting period.

Investments in debt securities

The Company’s investment in debt securities consisted of two convertible notes receivable from NeuCourt, Inc., which were recorded at the aggregate principal face amount of \$0 and \$71,850 plus accrued interest of \$0 and \$13,225 at December 31 2022 and 2021, respectively, as presented in Note 7. On June 13, 2022, the Company sold \$2,160.80 of note principal to a third party.

On July 15, 2022, the Company and NeuCourt, Inc. entered into an Exchange Agreement by which the \$25,000 and \$47,839 principal amounts of the NeuCourt November 22, 2017 and October 31, 2018 convertible notes and accrued unpaid interest in the amounts of \$3,518 and \$9,673 respectively, were exchanged for a Simple Agreement for Future Equity (“SAFE”), a security providing for conversion of the SAFE into shares of NeuCourt common or preferred stock (“Capital Stock”) at some future date. As of July 15, 2022, the Company received SAFEs in the aggregate face amount of \$86,030 (the “Purchase Amount”).

The valuation cap of the SAFE is \$3,000,000 (“Valuation Cap”), and the discount rate is 75% (“Discount Rate”).

If, prior to termination, conversion, or expiration of the SAFE, NeuCourt sells a series of preferred stock (“Equity Preferred Stock”) to investors in an equity financing raising not less than \$500,000, Mentor’s SAFE shall be converted into shares equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the lesser of (x) the price per share of the Equity Preferred Stock multiplied by the Discount Rate and (y) the price per share equal to the Valuation Cap divided by the number of outstanding shares of NeuCourt on a fully diluted, as-converted basis (“Conversion Shares”). The Conversion Shares shall consist of (a) the number of shares of Equity Preferred Stock equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the price per share of the Equity Preferred Stock (“Preferred Stock”) and (b) the number of shares of common stock equal to the Conversion Shares minus the Preferred Stock.

The SAFE will expire and terminate upon i) conversion or ii) repayment. The SAFE may be repaid by NeuCourt upon sixty (60) days prior notice (“Repayment Notice”) to the Company unless the Company elects during that period to convert the SAFE.

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If NeuCourt does not close an equity financing round raising \$500,000 or more prior to expiration or termination of the SAFE, the Company may elect to convert the SAFE into the number of shares of a to-be-created series of preferred stock equal to the (x) Purchase Amount divided by (y) the Valuation Cap divided by the number of outstanding shares of NeuCourt on a fully diluted, as-converted basis ("Default Conversion"). Additionally, if NeuCourt experiences a change of control, initial public offering, ceases operations, or enters into a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, prior to conversion, termination, or expiration of the SAFE, the Company will receive the greater of (a) a cash payment equal to the Purchase Amount and (b) the value of the shares issuable on Default Conversion.

On July 22, 2022, the Company sold \$989 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party. On August 1, 2022, the Company sold an additional \$1,285 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party, thereby reducing the outstanding aggregate SAFE Purchase Amount to \$83,756.

Subsequent to year end, on January 20, 2023, the Company and NeuCourt entered into a SAFE Purchase Agreement by which the Company invested an additional \$10,000 in the form of a NeuCourt Simple Agreement for Future Equity under the same terms as the previous July 15, 2022 SAFE Purchase Agreement between NeuCourt and the Company, see Note 23.

Investment in account receivable, net of discount

The Company's investment in account receivable are stated at face value, net of unamortized purchase discount. The discount is amortized to interest income over the term of the exchange agreement. In the fourth quarter of 2020, we were notified that due to the effect of COVID-19 on the estimated receivable, we may not receive the 2020 installment payment or the full 2021 installment payment. Due to a reduction in expected collections, the collectability of our investment in accounts receivable was impaired by \$116,430 at December 31, 2021. Based on management's estimate of collections, coupled with actual collections On February 15, 2022, we recorded a loss on this investment of \$41,930 for the year ended December 31, 2022 and a gain of \$22,718 in the year ended December 31, 2021, reflected in other income on the consolidated income statement. See Note 3.

Subsequent to year end, on January 10, 2023, the Company received the 2022 annual installment payment of \$117,000. Three additional \$117,000 annual installment payments are due in 2023, 2024, and 2025. The Company has retained its impairment reserves and recorded losses on investment due to a history of uncertain payments. See Note 23.

Credit quality of notes receivable and finance leases receivable and credit loss reserve

As our notes receivable and finance leases receivable are limited in number, our management is able to analyze estimated credit loss reserves based on a detailed analysis of each receivable as opposed to using portfolio-based metrics. Our management does not use a system of assigning internal risk ratings to each of our receivables. Rather, each note receivable and finance lease receivable are analyzed quarterly and categorized as either performing or non-performing based on certain factors including, but not limited to, financial results, satisfying scheduled payments and compliance with financial covenants. A note receivable or finance lease receivable will be categorized as non-performing when a borrower experiences financial difficulty and has failed to make scheduled payments.

Property, and equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on the declining balance method over the estimated useful lives of various classes of property. The estimated lives of the property and equipment are generally as follows: computer equipment, three years to five years; furniture and equipment, seven years; and vehicles and trailers, four years to five years. Depreciation on vehicles used by WCI to service its customers is included in cost of goods sold in the consolidated income statements. All other depreciation is included in selling, general and administrative costs in the consolidated income statements.

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Expenditures for major renewals and improvements are capitalized, while minor replacements, maintenance, and repairs, which do not extend the asset lives, are charged to operations as incurred. Upon sale or disposition, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is included in operations. The Company continually monitors events and changes in circumstances that could indicate that the carrying balances of its property and equipment may not be recoverable in accordance with the provisions of ASC 360, "*Property, Plant, and Equipment*." When such events or changes in circumstances are present, the Company assesses the recoverability of long-lived assets by determining whether the carrying value of such assets will be recovered through undiscounted expected future cash flows. If the total of the future cash flows is less than the carrying amount of those assets, the Company recognizes an impairment loss based on the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value of the assets. See Note. 5.

The Company reviews intangible assets subject to amortization quarterly to determine if any adverse conditions exist or a change in circumstances has occurred that would indicate impairment or a change in the remaining useful life. Conditions that may indicate impairment include, but are not limited to, a significant adverse change in legal factors or business climate that could affect the value of an asset, a product recall, or an adverse action or assessment by a regulator. If an impairment indicator exists, we test the intangible asset for recoverability. For purposes of the recoverability test, we group our amortizable intangible assets with other assets and liabilities at the lowest level of identifiable cash flows if the intangible asset does not generate cash flows independent of other assets and liabilities. If the carrying value of the intangible asset (asset group) exceeds the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the intangible asset (asset group), the Company will write the carrying value down to the fair value in the period identified.

#### Lessee Leases

We determine whether an arrangement is a lease at inception. Lessee leases are classified as either finance leases or operating leases. A lease is classified as a finance lease if any one of the following criteria are met: the lease transfers ownership of the asset by the end of the lease term, the lease contains an option to purchase the asset that is reasonably certain to be exercised, the lease term is for a major part of the remaining useful life of the asset or the present value of the lease payments equals or exceeds substantially all of the fair value of the asset. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not meet any one of these criteria. Our operating leases are comprised of office space leases, and office equipment. Fleet vehicle leases entered into prior to January 1, 2019, are classified as operating leases based on expected lease term of 4 years. Fleet vehicle leases entered into beginning January 1, 2019, for which the lease is expected to be extended to 5 years, are classified as finance leases. Our leases have remaining lease terms of 1 month to 48 months. Our fleet finance leases contain a residual value guarantee which, based on past lease experience, is unlikely to result in a liability at the end of the lease. As most of our leases do not provide an implicit rate, we use our incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments.

Costs associated with operating lease assets are recognized on a straight-line basis, over the term of the lease, within cost of goods sold for vehicles used in direct servicing of WCI customers and in operating expenses for costs associated with all other operating leases. Finance lease assets are amortized within cost of goods sold for vehicles used in direct servicing of WCI customers and within operating expenses for all other finance lease assets, on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the estimated useful lives of the assets or the lease term. The interest component of a finance lease is included in interest expense and recognized using the effective interest method over the lease term. We have agreements that contain both lease and non-lease components. For vehicle fleet operating leases, we account for lease components together with non-lease components (e.g., maintenance fees).

#### Goodwill

Goodwill of \$1,324,142 was derived from consolidating WCI effective January 1, 2014, and \$102,040 of goodwill was derived from the 1999 acquisition of a 50% interest in WCI. In accordance with ASC 350, "*Intangibles-Goodwill and Other*," goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are no longer subject to amortization but are tested for impairment annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired.

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The Company reviews the goodwill allocated to each of our reporting units for possible impairment annually as of December 31 and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate carrying amount may not be recoverable. In the impairment test, the Company measures the recoverability of goodwill by comparing a reporting unit's carrying amount, including goodwill, to the estimated fair value of the reporting unit. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit is in excess of its fair value, the Company recognizes an impairment charge equal to the amount in excess. To estimate the fair value, management uses valuation techniques which included the discounted value of estimated future cash flows. The evaluation of impairment requires the Company to make assumptions about future cash flows over the life of the asset being evaluated. These assumptions require significant judgment and are subject to change as future events and circumstances change. Actual results may differ from assumed and estimated amounts. Management determined that no impairment write-downs were required as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Revenue recognition

The Company recognizes revenue in accordance with ASC 606, "*Revenue from Contracts with Customers*," and FASB ASC Topic 842, "*Leases*." Revenue is recognized net of allowances for returns and any taxes collected from customers, which are subsequently remitted to government authorities.

WCI works with business park owners, governmental centers, and apartment complexes to reduce facilities related costs. WCI performs monthly services pursuant to agreements with customers. Customer monthly service fees are based on WCI's assessment of the amount and frequency of monthly services requested by a customer. WCI may also provide additional services, such as apartment cleanout services, large item removals, or similar services, on an as needed basis at an agreed upon rate as requested by customers. All services are invoiced and recognized as revenue in the month the agreed-on services are performed.

For each finance lease, the Company recognized as a gain the amount equal to (i) the net investment in the finance lease less (ii) the net book value of the equipment at the inception of the applicable lease. At lease inception we capitalize the total minimum finance lease payments receivable from the lessee, the estimated unguaranteed residual value of the equipment at lease termination, if any, and the initial direct costs related to the lease, less unearned income. Unearned income is recognized as finance income over the term of the lease using the effective interest rate method.

The Company, through its subsidiaries, is the lessor of manufacturing equipment subject to leases under master leasing agreements. The leases contain an element of dealer profit and lessee bargain purchase options at prices substantially below the subject assets' estimated residual values at the exercise date for the options. Consequently, the Company classified the leases as sales-type leases (the "finance leases") for financial accounting purposes. For such finance leases, the Company reports the discounted present value of (i) future minimum lease payments (including the bargain purchase option, if any) and (ii) any residual value not subject to a bargain purchase option as a finance lease receivable on its balance sheet and accrues interest on the balance of the finance lease receivable based on the interest rate inherent in the applicable lease over the term of the lease. For each finance lease, the Company recognized revenue in an amount equal to the net investment in the lease and cost of sales equal to the net book value of the equipment at the inception of the applicable lease.

Basic and diluted income (loss) per common share

We compute net loss per share in accordance with ASC 260, "*Earnings Per Share*." Under the provisions of ASC 260, basic net loss per share includes no dilution and is computed by dividing the net loss available to common stockholders for the period by the weighted average number of shares of Common Stock outstanding during the period. Diluted net loss per share takes into consideration shares of Common Stock outstanding (computed under basic net loss per share) and potentially dilutive securities that are not anti-dilutive.

Outstanding warrants that had no effect on the computation of dilutive weighted average number of shares outstanding as their effect would be anti-dilutive were approximately 7,000,000 and 7,000,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. There were 0 and 87,456 potentially dilutive shares outstanding at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Assumed conversion of Series Q Preferred Stock into Common Stock would be anti-dilutive as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 and is not included in calculating the diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding.



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Income taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with accounting guidance now codified as FASB ASC 740, “*Income Taxes*,” which requires that the Company recognize deferred tax liabilities and assets based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities, using enacted tax rates in effect in the years the differences are expected to reverse. Deferred income tax benefit (expense) results from the change in net deferred tax assets or deferred tax liabilities. A valuation allowance is recorded when it is more likely than not that some or all deferred tax assets will not be realized.

The Company applies the provisions of ASC 740, “*Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*.” The ASC prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The ASC provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest, and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. The Company utilizes a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions (tax contingencies). The first step evaluates the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates it is more likely than not that we will sustain the position on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes. The second step measures the tax benefit as the largest amount of more than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. The Company did not identify any material uncertain tax positions on returns that have been filed or that will be filed. The Company did not recognize any interest or penalties for unrecognized tax provisions during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, nor were any interest or penalties accrued as of December 31, 2022 and 2021. To the extent the Company may accrue interest and penalties, it elects to recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax provisions as a component of income tax expense.

Fair value measurements

The Company adopted ASC 820, “*Fair Value Measurement*,” which defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal, or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The valuation techniques maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure Topic establish a fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the valuation inputs into three broad levels. These three general valuation techniques that may be used to measure fair value are as follows: Market approach (Level 1) – which uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities. Prices may be indicated by pricing guides, sale transactions, market trades, or other sources. Cost approach (Level 2) – which is based on the amount that currently would be required to replace the service capacity of an asset (replacement cost); and the Income approach (Level 3) – which uses valuation techniques to convert future amounts to a single present amount based on current market expectations about the future amounts (including present value techniques, and option-pricing models). Net present value is an income approach where a stream of expected cash flows is discounted at an appropriate market interest rate.

The carrying amounts of cash, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other current assets, accounts payable, customer deposits and other accrued liabilities approximate their fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

The fair value of available-for-sale investment securities is based on quoted market prices in active markets.

The fair value of the investment in account receivable is based on the net present value of calculated interest and principal payments. The carrying value approximates fair value as interest rates charged are comparable to market rates for similar investments.

The fair value of notes receivable is based on the net present value of calculated interest and principal payments. The carrying value approximates fair value as interest rates charged are comparable to market rates for similar notes.

The fair value of long-term notes payable is based on the net present value of calculated interest and principal payments. The carrying value of long-term debt approximates fair value due to the fact that the interest rate on the debt is based on market rates.

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**Note 3 – Investment in account receivable**

On April 10, 2015, the Company entered into an exchange agreement whereby the Company received an investment in an account receivable with annual installment payments of \$117,000 for 11 years, through 2026, totaling \$1,287,000 in exchange for 757,059 shares of Mentor Common Stock obtained through the exercise of 757,059 Series D warrants at \$1.60 per share plus a \$0.10 per warrant redemption price.

The Company valued the transaction based on the market value of Company common shares exchanged in the transaction, resulting in a 17.87% discount from the face value of the account receivable. The discount is being amortized monthly to interest over the 11-year term of the agreement. In the fourth quarter of 2020, we were notified that due to the effect of COVID-19, we might not receive the 2020 installment or the full 2021 installment. Based on management's collection estimates, we recorded an investment loss of (\$139,148) on the investment in account receivable at December 31, 2021. In 2021, the Company reevaluated estimated collections and recorded an investment gain of \$22,718. The loss of (\$41,930) and gain of \$22,718 are reflected in other income on the consolidated income statement for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Subsequent to year end, on January 10, 2023, the Company received the 2022 annual installment payment of \$117,000. Three additional \$117,000 annual installment payments are due in 2023, 2024, and 2025. The Company has retained its impairment reserves and recorded losses on investment due to a history of uncertain payments. See Note 23.

The April 10, 2015 account receivable is supported by an exchange agreement and consisted of the following at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	2022	2021
Face value	\$ 403,600	\$ 585,000
Impairment	-	(116,430)
Unamortized discount	(88,291)	(167,137)
Net balance	315,309	301,433
Current portion	-	-
Long term portion	<u>\$ 315,309</u>	<u>\$ 301,433</u>

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, \$56,806 and \$65,657 of discount amortization is included in interest income.

**Note 4 – Other receivable**

Other receivable consisted of the following:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Employee retention tax credits	\$ -	\$ 33,222
Accrued sales tax receivable from customers	237,243	-
Other	(6,921)	-
Total Other receivable	<u>\$ 230,322</u>	<u>\$ 33,222</u>

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In 2022, WCI received an Employee Retention Tax Credit (“ERTC”) in the amount of \$1,350,161, in conjunction with WCI’s professional employer organization’s receipt and application of the same to WCI leased employees. The ERTC was initially established by Section 2301 of Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act of 2020, as amended by Sections 206-207 of the Taxpayer Certainty and Disaster Relief Act and by Division EE of Consolidated Appropriation Act of 2021 and Section 9651 of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; which is authorized by Section 3134 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Consolidated Appropriation Act of 2021 and American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 amendments to the ERTC program provided eligible employers with a tax credit in an amount equal to 70% of qualified wages (including certain health care expenses) that eligible employers pay their employees after January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, as amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, which retroactively ended the ERTC program as of September 30, 2021 for all businesses with the exception of recovery startups. The maximum amount of qualified wages taken into account with respect to each employee for each calendar quarter is \$10,000 so that the maximum credit that an eligible employer may claim for qualified wages paid to any employee is \$7,000 per quarter. The credit is taken against an employer’s share of social security tax reported by WCI’s professional employer organization on Form 941-X for each applicable quarter. The receipt of the tax credit is expected to improve WCI’s liquidity due to the effects of the credit. Although WCI’s professional employer organization currently anticipates receiving credits for wages paid in 2020 and the first three quarters of 2021, there can be no assurances that WCI or WCI’s professional employer organization will continue to meet the requirements or that changes in the ERTC regulations including changes in guidance provided by the IRS with respect to the implementation and operation of the ERTC, will not be adopted that could reduce or eliminate the benefits that WCI and WCI’s professional employer organization may receive or qualify for.

ERTC income of \$1,350,161 and \$0 is reflected in other income for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 in the condensed consolidated income statement. WCI received the ERTC based on qualitative information submitted. During the year ended December 31, 2022, \$1,350,161 was claimed against current payroll tax liabilities as they became due.

The December 31, 2021, ERTC balance of \$33,222, was received by Mentor as a refund in the year of 2022. The balance at December 31, 2022 is \$0.

**Note 5 - Property and equipment**

Property and equipment are comprised of the following at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	2022	2021
Computers	\$ 31,335	\$ 31,335
Furniture and fixtures	27,374	15,966
Machinery and vehicles	297,016	252,225
	355,725	299,526
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(208,847)	(144,480)
Net Property and equipment	\$ 146,878	\$ 155,046

Depreciation and amortization expense were \$71,257 and \$51,710 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Of these amounts, depreciation on WCI vehicles used to service customer accounts is included in cost of goods sold and was \$21,204 and \$17,650 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. All other depreciation is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the consolidated income statements.

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**Note 6 – Lessee Leases**

Our operating leases are comprised of office space and office equipment leases. Fleet and vehicle leases entered into prior to January 1, 2019, under ASC 840 guidelines, have 4-year terms and are classified as operating leases. Fleet leases entered into beginning January 1, 2019, under ASC 842 guidelines, are expected to be extended to 5-year terms and are classified as finance leases.

Gross right of use assets recorded under finance leases related to WCI vehicle fleet leases were \$1,289,714 and \$882,081 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Accumulated amortization associated with finance leases was \$394,391 and \$236,470 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Lease costs recognized in our consolidated income statements is summarized as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2022	Year Ended December 31, 2021
Operating lease cost included in cost of goods	\$ 13,054	\$ 100,222
Operating lease cost included in operating costs	54,571	47,287
Total operating lease cost <sup>(1)</sup>	67,625	147,509
Finance lease cost, included in cost of goods:		
Amortization of lease assets	278,006	151,200
Interest on lease liabilities	39,931	24,719
Total finance lease cost	317,937	175,919
Short-term lease cost	-	-
Total lease cost	\$ 385,562	\$ 323,428

Right of use asset amortization under operating agreements was \$223,151 and \$146,068 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Other information about lease amounts recognized in our consolidated financial statements is summarized as follows:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Weighted-average remaining lease term – operating leases	4.75 years	0.95 years
Weighted-average remaining lease term – finance leases	4.63 years	3.83 years
Weighted-average discount rate – operating leases	6.0%	5.7%
Weighted-average discount rate – finance leases	5.5%	3.8%

Finance lease liabilities were as follows:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Gross finance lease liabilities	\$ 897,849	\$ 634,192
Less: imputed interest	(89,939)	(51,212)
Present value of finance lease liabilities	807,910	582,980
Less: current portion	(232,058)	(167,515)
Long-term finance lease liabilities	\$ 575,852	\$ 415,465

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Operating lease liabilities were as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2022</b>	<b>December 31, 2021</b>
Gross operating lease liabilities	\$ 428,946	\$ 55,865
Less: imputed interest	(58,782)	(8,832)
Present value of operating lease liabilities	370,164	47,033
Less: current portion	(62,861)	(42,058)
Long-term operating lease liabilities	<u>\$ 307,303</u>	<u>\$ 4,975</u>

Lease maturities are disclosed in Note 15.

**Note 7 – Convertible notes receivable**

Convertible notes receivable consists of the following at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
November 22, 2017, NeuCourt, Inc. convertible note receivable included accrued interest of \$2,834 at December 31, 2021. The convertible note plus accrued interest of \$3,518 was converted to a SAFE investment in NeuCourt as further described in the note below. The note bore interest at 5% per annum, originally matured November 22, 2019, and was extended to mature November 22, 2021, and subsequently to November 22, 2023. Principal and accrued interest were due at maturity. Upon extension, the Company received a cash payment of \$2,496 for interest accrued through November 4, 2019. The convertible note and accrued interest were exchanged for a SAFE security as further described below. *	\$ -	\$ 27,834
The October 31, 2018, NeuCourt, Inc. convertible note receivable included accrued interest of \$8,491 at December 31, 2021. The note bore interest at 5% per annum and was to mature on October 31, 2022. Principal and accrued interest were due at maturity. On July 15, 2022, the convertible note and accrued interest of \$9,673 were exchanged for a SAFE security as further described below. *	-	58,491
Total convertible notes receivable	-	86,325
Less current portion	-	(58,491)
Long term portion	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 27,834</u>

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\*On July 15, 2022, the convertible notes were exchanged for a Simple Agreement for Future Equity (“SAFE”). Prior to the exchange, the Conversion Price for each Note was the lower of (i) 75% of the price paid in the Next Equity Financing, or the price obtained by dividing a \$3,000,000 valuation cap by the fully diluted number of shares. The number of Conversion Shares to be issued on conversion was the quotient obtained by dividing the outstanding principal and unpaid accrued interest on a Note to be converted on the date of conversion by the Conversion Price (the “Total Number of Shares”). The Total Number of Shares consisted of Preferred Stock and Common Stock as follows: (i) That number of shares of Preferred Stock obtained by dividing (a) the principal amount of each Note and all accrued and unpaid interest thereunder by (b) the price per share paid by other purchasers of Preferred Stock in the Next Equity Financing (such number of shares, the “Number of Preferred Stock”) and (ii) that number of shares of Common Stock equal to the Total Number of Shares minus the Number of Preferred Stock.

On July 15, 2022, the Company and NeuCourt, Inc. entered into an Exchange Agreement by which the \$25,000 and \$47,839 principal amounts of the NeuCourt November 22, 2017 and October 31, 2018 convertible notes and accrued unpaid interest in the amounts of \$3,518 and \$9,673, respectively, were exchanged for a Simple Agreement for Future Equity (“SAFE”), a security providing for conversion of the SAFE into shares of NeuCourt common or preferred stock (“Capital Stock”) at some future date. As of July 15, 2022, the Company received SAFEs in the aggregate face amount of \$86,030 (the “Purchase Amount”).

The valuation cap of the SAFE is \$3,000,000 (“Valuation Cap”), and the discount rate is 75% (“Discount Rate”).

If, prior to termination, conversion, or expiration of the SAFE, NeuCourt sells a series of preferred stock (“Equity Preferred Stock”) to investors in an equity financing raising not less than \$500,000, Mentor’s SAFE shall be converted into shares equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the lessor of (x) the price per share of the Equity Preferred Stock multiplied by the Discount Rate and (y) the price per share equal to the Valuation Cap divided by the number of outstanding shares of NeuCourt on a fully diluted, as-converted basis (“Conversion Shares”). The Conversion Shares shall consist of (a) the number of shares of Equity Preferred Stock equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the price per share of the Equity Preferred Stock (“Preferred Stock”) and (b) the number of shares of common stock equal to the Conversion Shares minus the Preferred Stock.

The SAFE will expire and terminate upon i) conversion or ii) repayment. The SAFE may be repaid by NeuCourt upon sixty (60) days prior notice (“Repayment Notice”) to the Company unless the Company elects during that period to convert the SAFE.

If NeuCourt does not close an equity financing round raising \$500,000 or more prior to expiration or termination of the SAFE, the Company may elect to convert the SAFE into the number of shares of a to-be-created series of preferred stock equal to the (x) Purchase Amount divided by (y) the Valuation Cap divided by the number of outstanding shares of NeuCourt on a fully diluted, as-converted basis (“Default Conversion”). Additionally, if NeuCourt experiences a change of control, initial public offering, ceases operations, or enters into a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, prior to conversion, termination, or expiration of the SAFE, the Company will receive the greater of (a) a cash payment equal to the Purchase Amount and (b) the value of the shares issuable on Default Conversion.

On July 22, 2022, the Company sold \$989 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party. On August 1, 2022, the Company sold an additional \$1,285 of the SAFE Purchase Amount to a third party, thereby reducing the aggregate outstanding SAFE Purchase Amount to \$83,756.

Subsequent to year end, on January 20, 2023, the Company and NeuCourt entered into a SAFE Purchase Agreement by which the Company invested an additional \$10,000 in the form of a NeuCourt Simple Agreement for Future Equity under the same terms as the previous July 15, 2022 SAFE Purchase Agreement between NeuCourt and the Company, see Note 23.

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**Note 8 - Note purchase agreement and consulting agreement with G FarmaLabs Limited**

On March 17, 2017, the Company entered into a Notes Purchase Agreement with G FarmaLabs Limited (“G Farma”), a Nevada corporation. Under the Agreement the Company purchased two secured promissory notes from G Farma in an aggregate principal amount of \$500,000, both of which bore interest at 7.42% per annum, with monthly payments beginning on April 15, 2017 and maturity on April 15, 2022. The two G Farma notes, as amended by subsequent addenda, are secured by all property, real and personal, tangible, or intangible of G Farma and are guaranteed by GF Brands, Inc. and two majority shareholders of G Farma. As of March 4, 2019, the Company and G Farma had executed eight addenda subsequent to the original agreement. Addendum II through Addendum VIII increased the aggregate principal face amount of the working capital note to \$990,000 and increased the monthly payments on the working capital note to \$10,239 per month beginning March 15, 2019. G Farma has not made scheduled payments on the notes receivable since February 19, 2019.

On February 22, 2019, the City of Corona Building Department closed access to G Farma’s corporate location and posted a notice preventing entry to the facility; the Company was not informed by G Farma of this incident until March 14, 2019. The notice cited unpermitted modifications to electrical, mechanical, and plumbing, including all undetermined building modifications, as the reason for closure. On April 24, 2019, the Company was notified that certain G Farma assets at the corporate location, including equipment leased to G Farma by Mentor Partner I valued at approximately \$427,804, were impounded by the Corona Police. This event significantly impacted G Farma’s financial position and its ability to make future payments under the notes purchase agreements and the finance leases receivable, described in Note 9, due the Company.

G Farma has not made scheduled payments on the notes receivable or the G Farma finance lease receivable, described in Note 8, since February 19, 2019. All arrangements with G Farma, were placed on non-accrual basis effective April 1, 2019. Accrual of interest on notes receivable and finance leases, as well as consulting revenue, was suspended April 1, 2019. The notes receivable balances of \$1,039,501 and \$1,043,531 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, are fully reserved and reflected in the consolidated balance sheet as \$0 and \$0 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

On November 4, 2020, the Court granted Mentor Capital, Inc.’s and Mentor Partner I’s motion for summary adjudication as to all four causes of action: both causes of action against G FarmaLabs Limited for breach of the two promissory notes totaling \$1,166,570 and one cause of action against each of Mr. Gonzalez and Ms. Gonzalez related to their duties as guarantors of G FarmaLabs Limited’s obligations under the promissory notes. See legal proceedings described in Note 20.

On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities and guarantors (“G Farma Settlers”) to resolve and settle all outstanding claims (“Settlement Agreement”). The Settlement Agreement requires the G Farma Settlers to pay the Company an aggregate of \$500,000 plus interest, payable monthly as follows: (i) \$500 per month for 12 months beginning on September 5, 2021, (ii) \$1,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2022, (iii) \$2,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2023, and (iv) increasing by an additional \$1,000 per month on each succeeding September 5th thereafter, until the settlement amount and accrued unpaid interest are paid in full. Interest on the unpaid balance shall initially accrue at the rate of 4.25% per annum, commencing February 25, 2021, compounded monthly, and shall be adjusted on February 25th of each year to equal the Prime Rate as published in the Wall Street Journal plus 1%. In the event that the G Farma Settlers fail to make any monthly payment and have not cured two such defaults within 10 days of notice from the Company, the parties have stipulated that an additional \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers.

On October 12, 2021, the parties filed a Stipulation for Dismissal and Continued Jurisdiction with the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Court ordered that it retain jurisdiction over the parties under Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure to enforce the Settlement Agreement until the performance in full of its terms is met.

In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022, the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments, and failed to cure each default within 10 days’ notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company’s incurred costs, and (3) attorneys’ fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment. We will continue to pursue collection from the G Farma Settlers over time.

The Company has retained the full reserve on unpaid notes receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments from G Farma will be recognized in Other Income as they are received. See Notes 1 and 9. Recovery payments of \$3,550 and \$2,000 are included in other income in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. No payments were received from G Farma in the year ended December 31, 2020.

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**Note 9 – Finance leases receivable**

Mentor Partner I

Partner I entered into a Master Equipment Lease Agreement with G FarmaLabs Limited and G FarmaLabs DHS, LLC (the “G Farma Lease Entities”) with guarantees by GFBrands, Inc., formerly known as G FarmaBrands, Inc, Ata Gonzalez and Nicole Gonzalez (collectively, the “G Farma Lease Guarantors”) dated January 16, 2018, and amended March 7, April 4, June 20, and September 7, 2018, and March 4, 2019. Partner I acquired and delivered manufacturing equipment as selected by G Farma Lease Entities under sales-type finance leases. Partner I did not report equipment sales revenue or lease revenue for the years ended December 31, 2022 or 2021.

As discussed in Notes 1 and 7, on February 22, 2019, the City of Corona Building Department closed access to G Farma’s corporate location; the Company was not informed by G Farma of this incident until March 14, 2019. On April 24, 2019, the Company was informed that certain G Farma assets at its corporate location, including equipment valued at approximately \$427,804 leased to the G Farma Lease Entities under the Master Equipment Lease Agreement, was impounded by the Corona Police. This event severely impacted G Farma’s ability to pay amounts due the Company in the future and the G Farma lease receivable was put on non-accrual status effective April 1, 2019. In 2019 an impairment of \$783,880 was recorded. Additional bad debt expense of \$0 and \$0, recognized for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the consolidated income statement.

In 2020, the Company repossessed leased equipment under G Farma’s control with a cost of \$622,569 and sold it to the highest offerors for net proceeds of \$348,734, after shipping and delivery costs. Net sales proceeds were applied against the finance lease receivable.

On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities to resolve and settle all outstanding claims as further discussed in Notes 1 8, and 20.

On October 12, 2021, the parties filed a Stipulation for Dismissal and Continued Jurisdiction with the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Court ordered that it retain jurisdiction over the parties under Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure to enforce the Settlement Agreement until the performance in full of its terms is met.

In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022, the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments, and failed to cure each default within 10 days’ notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company’s incurred costs, and (3) attorneys’ fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment. See Notes 1, 8, and 20.

Net finance leases receivable from G Farma remain fully impaired at December 31, 2022 and 2021. Payment received under this settlement will first be applied against the notes receivable described in Note 8 and if any additional amounts are recovered, will then be applied against the finance leases receivable.

Net finance leases receivable, non-performing, consists of the following at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	2022	2021
Gross minimum lease payments receivable	\$ 1,203,404	\$ 1,203,404
Less: unearned interest	(400,005)	(400,005)
Less: reserve for bad debt	(803,399)	(803,399)
Finance leases receivable	\$ -	\$ -

Mentor Partner II

Partner II entered into a Master Equipment Lease Agreement with Pueblo West, dated February 11, 2018, amended November 28, 2018 and March 12, 2019. Partner II acquired and delivered manufacturing equipment as selected by Pueblo West under sales-type finance leases.

On September 27, 2022, Pueblo West exercised its lease prepayment option and purchased the manufacturing equipment for \$245,369. On September 28, 2022 Partner II transferred full title to the equipment to Pueblo West.

At December 31, 2021 and September 27, 2022, all Partner II leased equipment under finance leases receivable is located in Colorado.

Performing net finance leases receivable consists of the following at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	2022	2021
Gross minimum lease payments receivable	\$ -	\$ 367,505
Accrued interest	-	1,783
Less: unearned interest	-	(62,638)
Finance leases receivable	-	306,650
Less current portion	-	(76,727)
Long term portion	\$ -	\$ 229,923



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Finance lease revenue recognized on Partner I finance leases for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, was \$0 and \$0, respectively.

Finance lease revenue recognized on Partner II finance leases for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$37,659 and \$40,764, respectively.

On September 27, 2022, Pueblo West exercised its lease prepayment option and purchased the manufacturing equipment for \$245,369. On September 28, 2022 Partner II transferred full title to the equipment to Pueblo West. Therefore, the Company's lease receivable of \$87,039, \$94,731, \$42,976, and \$5,177 for 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026, respectively, reported as of December 31, 2021 and the Company's interest receivable of \$20,391, \$10,989, \$2,131, and \$226 for 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026, respectively, reported as of December 31, 2021 is no longer applicable. At December 31, 2022, minimum future payments receivable for performing finance leases receivable were \$0.

**Note 10 - Contractual interests in legal recovery**

Electrum was the plaintiff in a certain legal action captioned *Electrum Partners, LLC, Plaintiff, and Aurora Cannabis Inc., Defendant*, in the Supreme Court of British Columbia ("Litigation"). On October 23, 2018, Mentor entered into a Joint Prosecution Agreement among Mentor, Mentor's corporate legal counsel, Electrum, and Electrum's legal counsel.

On October 30, 2018, Mentor entered into a Recovery Purchase Agreement ("Recovery Agreement") with Electrum under which Mentor purchased a portion of Electrum's potential recovery in the Litigation. Mentor agreed to pay \$100,000 of costs incurred in the Litigation, in consideration for ten percent (10%) of anything of value received by Electrum as a result of the Litigation ("Recovery") in addition to repayment of its initial investment. As of September 30, 2022 and December 31, 2021, Mentor invested an additional \$96,666 and \$96,666, respectively, of capital in Electrum for payment of legal retainers and fees in consideration for an additional nine percent (9%) of the Recovery. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$196,666 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Recovery Agreement investment was reported in the consolidated balance sheets at \$0 and \$196,666, respectively.

On October 31, 2018, Mentor also entered into a secured Capital Agreement with Electrum under which Mentor invested an additional \$100,000 of capital in Electrum. In consideration for Mentor's investment, Electrum agreed to pay Mentor, on the payment date, the sum of (i) \$100,000, (ii) ten percent of the Recovery, and (iii) 0.083334% of the Recovery for each full month from October 31, 2018 to the payment date for each full month that \$833 is not paid to Mentor. Payment was secured by all assets of Electrum. The payment date under the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement was the earlier of November 1, 2021, or the final resolution of the Litigation. Due to the coronavirus and the resulting delay in the trial date of the Litigation, on November 1, 2021 the parties amended the October 31, 2018 Capital Agreement for the purpose of extending the payment to the earlier of November 1, 2023, or the final resolution of the Litigation and increased the monthly payment payable by Electrum to \$834. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$100,000 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. This investment is included at cost of \$0 and \$100,000 in Contractual interests in legal recoveries on the consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

On January 28, 2019, Mentor entered into a second secured Capital Agreement with Electrum. Under the second Capital Agreement, Mentor invested an additional \$100,000 of capital in Electrum. In consideration for Mentor's investment, Electrum agreed to pay Mentor on the payment date the sum of (i) \$100,000, (ii) ten percent (10%) of the Recovery, and (iii) the greater of (A) 0.083334% of the Recovery for each full month from the date hereof until the payment date if the Recovery occurs prior to the payment date, and (B) \$833 for each full month from the date hereof until the payment date. The payment date was the earlier of November 1, 2021, and the final resolution of the Litigation. On November 1, 2021, the parties amended the January 28, 2019 Capital Agreement to extend the payment date to the earlier of November 1, 2023, or the final resolution of the Litigation and increased the monthly payment payable by Electrum to \$834. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$100,000 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. This investment is included at its \$0 and \$100,000 cost as part of the Contractual interests in legal recoveries on the consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

In addition, the January 28, 2019 Capital Agreement provides that Mentor may, at any time up to and including 90 days following the payment date, elect to convert its 6,198 membership interests in Electrum into a cash payment of \$194,028 plus an additional 19.4% of the Recovery. On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$63,324 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. The Company had 0 and 6,198 Electrum membership interest units and 0% and 6.69% equity interest in Electrum at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

On or about September 14, 2022, Electrum and Aurora Cannabis, Inc. settled the Litigation claims and Electrum received CAD \$800,000, or approximately USD \$584,000, in settlement funds from Aurora Cannabis, Inc. ("Settlement Funds"), which had been placed in escrow. Pursuant to an escrow agreement entered into by and between Electrum, Mentor, and the escrow agent, Mentor was to be paid amounts due and owing to it under the Capital Agreements and Recovery Purchase Agreements from the Settlement Funds before any remaining amounts are to be distributed to Electrum. However, such payment was not received. On or about September 20, 2022, the escrow agent resigned, and Electrum refused to agree to a successor escrow agent in accordance with the terms of the escrow agreement. On October 21, 2022, the Company filed suit against the escrow agent, Electrum, and Does 1 through 10, seeking declaratory relief from the California Superior Court in the County of San Mateo that the escrow agent shall either distribute the Settlement Funds or transfer the Settlement Funds to the successor escrow agent, all in accordance with the escrow agreement.

On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$459,990 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent in the County of San Mateo. The Company applied \$196,666 to the Recovery Purchase Agreement, \$200,000 to the Capital Agreements, and the remaining \$63,324 to its \$194,028 equity interest in Electrum, resulting in a \$130,704 loss on the Company's investment in Electrum.

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The Company's interest in the Electrum Partners, LLC legal recovery, carried at cost, at December 31, 2022 and 2021 is summarized as follows:

	2022	2021
October 30, 2018 Recovery Purchase Agreement*	\$ -	\$ 196,666
October 31, 2018 secured Capital Agreement*	-	100,000
January 28, 2019 secured Capital Agreement*	-	100,000
Total Invested	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 396,666</u>

\*On November 18, 2022, Electrum repaid \$459,990 to the Company pursuant to a certain November 14, 2022 Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, following the Company's October 21, 2022 lawsuit against Electrum and the escrow agent. The Company applied \$196,666 to the Recovery Purchase Agreement and \$200,000 to the Capital Agreements. The remaining \$63,324 was applied to the Company's former equity interest in Electrum.

**Note 11 – Investments and fair value**

The hierarchy of Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 Assets are listed as follows:

	Unadjusted Quoted Market Prices (Level 1)	Quoted Prices for Identical or Similar Assets in Active Markets (Level 2)	Fair Value Measurement Using		
			Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
	Investment in Securities		Contractual interest Legal Recovery	Investment in Common Stock Warrants	Other Equity Investments
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$ 34,826	\$ -	\$ 381,529	\$ 1,000	\$ 204,028
Total gains or losses Included in earnings (or changes in net assets)	842	-	-	175	-
Purchases, issuances, sales, and settlements					
Purchases	38,470	-	15,137	-	-
Issuances	-	-	-	-	-
Sales	(73,129)	-	-	-	-
Settlements	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at December 31, 2021	<u>1,009</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 396,666</u>	<u>\$ 1,175</u>	<u>\$ 204,028</u>
Total gains or losses Included in earnings (or changes in net assets)	(833)	-	-	(500)	-
Purchases, issuances, sales, and settlements					
Purchases	-	-	-	-	83,756-
Issuances	-	-	-	-	-
Sales	(176)	-	-	-	-
Settlements	-	-	(396,666)	-	(194,028)
Balance at December 31, 2022	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 675</u>	<u>\$ 93,756</u>

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Prior to December 31, 2022, the Company sold its remaining shares of NASDAQ listed company stock. At December 31, 2022, the amortized costs, gross unrealized holding gains and losses, and fair values of the Company's investment securities classified as equity securities, at fair value, at December 31, 2022 were \$0.

The portion of unrealized gains and losses for the period related to equity securities still held at the reporting date is calculated as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2022	2021
Net gains and losses recognized during the period on equity securities	\$ 833	\$ 842
Less: Net gains (losses) recognized during the period on equity securities sold during the period	833	1,470
Unrealized gains and losses recognized during the reporting period on equity securities still held at the reporting date	\$ -	\$ (628)

**Note 12 – Common Stock warrants**

On August 21, 1998, the Company filed for voluntary reorganization with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California, and on January 11, 2000, the Company's Plan of Reorganization was approved. Among other things, the Company's Plan of Reorganization allowed creditors and claimants to receive new Series A, B, C, and D warrants in settlement of their prior claims. The warrants expire on May 11, 2038.

All Series A, B, C and D warrants have been called, and, as of December 31, 2021, all Series A and C warrants have been exercised. The Company intends to allow warrant holders or Company designees, in place of original holders, additional time as needed to exercise the remaining Series D warrants. The Company may lower the exercise price of all or part of a warrant series at any time. Similarly, the Company could reverse split the stock to raise the stock price above the warrant exercise price. The warrants are specifically not affected and do not split with the shares in the event of a reverse split. If the called warrants are not exercised, the Company has the right to designate the warrants to a new holder in return for a \$0.10 per share redemption fee payable to the original warrant holders as discussed further in Note 12. All such changes in the exercise price of warrants were provided for by the court in the Plan of Reorganization to provide a mechanism for all debtors to receive value even if they could not or did not exercise their warrant. Therefore, Management believes that the act of lowering the exercise price is not a change from the original warrant grants and the Company did not record an accounting impact as the result of such change in exercise prices.

All Series A and Series C warrants were exercised by December 31, 2014. On January 11, 2022, Mr. Billingsley exercised his 87,456 Series B warrants in exchange for 87,456 shares of the Company's Common Stock. As a result, all Series B warrants were exercised on January 11, 2022. Exercise prices in effect at January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2022 for Series D warrants were \$1.60.

In 2009, the Company entered into an Investment Banking agreement with Network 1 Financial Securities, Inc. and a related Strategic Advisory Agreement with Lenox Hill Partners, LLC with regard to a potential merger with a cancer development company. In conjunction with those related agreements, the Company issued 689,159 Series H (\$7) Warrants, with a 30-year life. On November 14, 2022, the 275,647 Series H Warrants of Lenox Hill Partners, LLC were cancelled pursuant to a Settlement Agreement. As of December 31, 2022, there were 413,512 Series H (\$7) Warrants outstanding. The warrants are subject to cashless exercise based upon the ten-day trailing closing bid price preceding the exercise as interpreted by the Company.

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As of December 31, 2022, and 2021, the weighted average contractual life for all Mentor warrants was 15.5 years and 16.5 years, respectively, and the weighted average outstanding warrant exercise price was \$2.11 and \$2.11 per share, respectively.

During the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, no warrants were exercised, and no warrants were issued. The intrinsic value of outstanding warrants at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$0 and \$0, respectively.

The following table summarizes Series B and Series D common stock warrants as of each period:

	<u>Series B</u>	<u>Series D</u>	<u>B and D Total</u>
Outstanding at December 31, 2020	87,456	6,252,954	6,340,410
Issued	-	-	-
Exercised	-	-	-
Outstanding at December 31, 2021	87,456	6,252,954	6,340,410
Issued	-	-	-
Exercised	87,456	2,954	90,410
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	-	6,250,000	6,250,000

Series E, F, G and H warrants were issued for investment banking and advisory services during 2009. Series E, F and G warrants were exercised in 2014. On November 14, 2022, the 275,647 Series H Warrants of Lenox Hill Partners, LLC were cancelled pursuant to a Settlement Agreement. As of December 31, 2022, there were 413,512 Series H (\$7) Warrants outstanding. The following table summarizes Series H (\$7) warrants as of each period:

	<u>Series H \$7.00 exercise price</u>
Outstanding at December 31, 2020	689,159
Issued	-
Exercised	-
Outstanding at December 31, 2021	689,159
Issued	-
Canceled	275,647
Exercised	-
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	413,512

On February 9, 2015, in accordance with Section 1145 of the United States Bankruptcy Code and the Company's Plan of Reorganization, the Company announced a minimum 30-day partial redemption of up to 1% (approximately 90,000) of the already outstanding Series D warrants to provide for the court specified redemption mechanism for warrants not exercised timely by the original holder or their estates. Company designees that applied during the 30 days paid 10 cents per warrant to redeem the warrant and then exercised the Series D warrant to purchase a share at the court specified formula of not more than one-half of the closing bid price on the day preceding the 30-day exercise period. In the Company's October 7, 2016 press release, Mentor stated that the 1% redemptions which were formerly priced on a calendar month schedule would subsequently be initiated and be priced on a random date schedule after the prior 1% redemption is completed to prevent potential third-party manipulation of share prices at month-end. The periodic partial redemptions could continue to be periodically recalculated and repeated until such unexercised warrants are exhausted, or the partial redemption is otherwise paused, suspended, or truncated by the Company. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, no warrants were redeemed.

**Note 13 – Warrant redemption liability**

The Plan of Reorganization provides the right for the Company to call, and the Company or its designee to redeem warrants that are not exercised timely, as specified in the Plan, by transferring a \$0.10 redemption fee to the former holders. Certain individuals desiring to become a Company designee to redeem warrants have deposited redemption fees with the Company that, when warrants are redeemed, will be forwarded to the former warrant holders through DTCC or at their last known address 30 days after the last warrant of a class is exercised, or earlier at the discretion of the Company. The Company has arranged for a service to process the redemption fees in offset to an equal amount of liability.

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In prior years the Series A, Series B, and Series C redemption fees have been distributed through DTCC into holder's brokerage accounts or directly to the holders. All Series A, Series B, and Series C warrants have been exercised and are no longer outstanding. At December 31, 2021, there were 87,456 Series B warrants outstanding which were held by Chet Billingsley, the Company's Chief Executive Officer. On January 11, 2022, Mr. Billingsley exercised his 87,456 Series B warrants in exchange for 87,456 shares of the Company's Common Stock.

Once the Series D warrants have been fully redeemed and exercised, the fees for the Series D warrant series will likewise be distributed. Mr. Billingsley has agreed to assume liability for paying these redemption fees and therefore warrant redemption fees received are retained by the Company for operating costs. Should Mr. Billingsley be incapacitated or otherwise become unable to pay the warrant redemption fees, the Company will remit the warrant redemption fees to former holders from amounts due to Mr. Billingsley from the Company, which are sufficient to cover the redemption fees at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

**Note 14 – Stockholders' equity**

Common Stock

The Company was incorporated in California in 1994 and was redomiciled as a Delaware corporation, effective September 24, 2015. There are 75,000,000 authorized shares of Common Stock at \$0.0001 par value. The holders of Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders.

On August 8, 2014, the Company announced that it was initiating the repurchase of 300,000 shares of its Common Stock (approximately 2% of the Company's common shares outstanding at that time). As of December 31, 2022, and 2021, 44,748 and 44,748 shares have been repurchased and retired, respectively.

Preferred Stock

Mentor has 5,000,000, \$0.0001 par value, preferred shares authorized.

On July 13, 2017, the Company filed a Certificate of Designation of Rights, Preferences, Privileges and Restrictions of Series Q Preferred Stock ("Certificate of Designation") with the Delaware Secretary of State to designate 200,000 preferred shares as Series Q Preferred Stock, such series having a par value of \$0.0001 per share. Series Q Preferred Stock is convertible into Common Stock, at the option of the holder, at any time after the date of issuance of such share and prior to notice of redemption of such share of Series Q Preferred Stock by the Company, into such number of fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock as determined by dividing the Series Q Conversion Value by the Conversion Price at the time in effect for such share.

The per share "Series Q Conversion Value," as defined in the Certificate of Designation, shall be calculated by the Company at least once each calendar quarter as follows: The per share Series Q Conversion Value shall be equal to the quotient of the "Core Q Holdings Asset Value" divided by the number of issued and outstanding shares of Series Q Preferred Stock. The "Core Q Holdings Asset Value" shall equal the value, as calculated and published by the Company, of all assets that constitute Core Q Holdings which shall include such considerations as the Company designates and need not accord with any established or commonly employed valuation method or considerations. "Core Q Holdings" consists of all proceeds received by the Company on the sale of shares of Series Q Preferred Stock and all securities, acquisitions, and business acquired from such proceeds by the Company. The Company shall periodically, but at least once each calendar quarter, identify, update, account for and value, the assets that comprise the Core Q Holdings.

The "Conversion Price" of the Series Q Preferred Stock shall be at the product of 105% and the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on a date designated and published by the Company. The Series Q Preferred Stock will be available only to accredited, institutional or qualified investors.

The Company sold and issued 11 shares of Series Q Preferred Stock on May 30, 2018, at a price of \$10,000 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of \$110,000 ("Series Q Purchase Price"). The Company invested the Series Q Purchase Price as capital in Partner II to purchase equipment to be leased to Pueblo West. Therefore, the Core Q Holdings at December 31, 2022 and 2021 include this interest. The Core Q Holdings Asset Value at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$20,843 and \$18,082 per share, respectively. There is no contingent liability for the Series Q Preferred Stock conversion at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

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At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Series Q Preferred Stock could have been converted at the Conversion Price of \$0.047 and \$0.053, respectively, into an aggregate of 4,874,525 and 3,752,930 shares of the Company's Common Stock, respectively. Because there were net losses for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, these shares were anti-dilutive and therefore are not included in the weighted average share calculation for these periods.

**Note 15 – Lease commitments**

We have entered into non-cancellable operating and finance leases for office and warehouse space, computers, furniture, fixtures, machinery, and vehicles, see Note 6. The following summarizes our lease liability maturities for operating and finance leases:

<b>Maturity of lease liabilities Year ending December 31,</b>	<b>Finance leases</b>	<b>Operating leases</b>
2023	270,911	83,376
2024	240,983	86,091
2025	205,655	88,917
2026	123,513	91,860
2027	56,786	78,702
Total	897,849	428,946
Less: Present value discount	(89,939)	(58,782)
Total lease liabilities	\$ 807,910	\$ 370,164

**Note 16 – Term Loan**

Term debt as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 consists of the following:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Bank of America auto loan, interest at 2.84% per annum, monthly principal, and interest payments of \$497, collateralized by vehicle.	\$ 18,427	\$ -
Bank of America auto loan, interest at 2.49% per annum, monthly principal, and interest payments of \$1,505, maturing July 2025, collateralized by vehicle.	44,529	61,710
Bank of America auto loan, interest at 2.24% per annum, monthly principal, and interest payments of \$654, maturing October 2025, collateralized by vehicle.	20,920	28,162
Total notes payable	83,876	89,872
Less: Current maturities	(29,011)	(23,203)
	\$ 54,865	\$ 66,669

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**Note 17 – Paycheck Protection Plan loans and Economic Injury Disaster Loans**

Paycheck protection plan loans

In 2020, the Company and WCI each received loans in the amount of \$76,500 and \$383,342, respectively, from the Bank of Southern California and the Republic Bank of Arizona (collectively, the “PPP Loans”). The PPP Loans were forgiven in November 2020, except for \$10,000 of WCI’s loan that was not eligible for forgiveness at the time due to receipt of a \$10,000 Economic Injury Disaster Loan Advance (“EIDL Advance”). However, on December 27, 2020, Section 1110(e)(6) of the CARES Act was repealed by Section 333 of the Economic Aid Act. As a result, the SBA automatically remitted a reconciliation payment to WCI’s PPP lender, the Republic Bank of Arizona, for the previously deducted EIDL Advance amount, plus interest through the remittance date. On March 16, 2021, The Republic Bank of Arizona notified WCI of receipt of the reconciliation payment and full forgiveness of the EIDL Advance. The \$10,000 forgiveness is reflected as other income in the year ended December 31, 2021, in the condensed consolidated income statements.

On February 17, 2021, Mentor received a second PPP Loan in the amount of \$76,593 (“Second PPP Loan”) pursuant to Division N, Title III, of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (the “Economic Aid Act”) as further set forth at Section 311 *et. seq.* of the Economic Aid Act. The Second PPP Loan was forgiven effective October 26, 2021.

The Company records PPP Loans as a liability in accordance with FASB ASC 470, “*Debt*” and records accrued interest through the effective date of forgiveness on the PPP Loans. Total gain on extinguishment of the PPP Loans and accrued interest is reported in other income and expense in the consolidated income statement.

May 5, 2020, loan from Republic Bank of Arizona to Waste Consolidators, Inc., revised December 1, 2020. The note bore interest at 1% per annum, with monthly principal and interest payments of \$560 beginning December 15, 2020. Loan was forgiven by SBA on March 16, 2021. PPP loan balances at December 31, 2022 and 2021 consisted of \$0 and \$0.

Economic injury disaster loan

On July 9, 2020, WCI received an additional Economic Injury Disaster Loan in the amount of \$149,900 through the SBA. The loan is secured by all tangible and intangible personal property of WCI, bears interest at 3.75% per annum, requires monthly installment payments of \$731 beginning July 2021, and matures July 2050. In March 2021, the SBA extended the deferment period for payments which extended the initial payment until July 2022. The loan is collateralized by all tangible and intangible assets of WCI.

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EIDL loan balance at December 31, 2022 and 2021 consist of the following:

	<u>December 31, 2022</u>	<u>December 31, 2021</u>
July 7, 2020, WCI received an additional Economic Injury Disaster Loan, including accrued interest of \$11,160 and \$8,424 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The note is secured by all tangible and intangible personal property of WCI, bears interest at 3.75% per annum, requires monthly installment payments of \$731 beginning January 7, 2023, and matures July 7, 2050.	\$ 161,060	\$ 158,324
Less: Current maturities *	(3,191)	-
Long-term portion of economic injury disaster loan	<u>\$ 157,869</u>	<u>158,324</u>

\* All payments in 2021 will offset accrued interest incurred in the deferral period and therefore the current maturity of principal is \$0 at December 31, 2021.

Interest expense on the EIDL Loan for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$5,763 and \$5,722, respectively.

**Note 18 – Accrued salary, accrued retirement, and incentive fee – related party**

The Company had an outstanding liability to its Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) as follows at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Accrued salaries and benefits	\$ 914,072	\$ 881,125
Accrued retirement and other benefits	501,529	508,393
Offset by shareholder advance	(261,653)	(261,653)
	<u>\$ 1,153,948</u>	<u>\$ 1,127,865</u>

As approved by resolution of the Board of Directors in 1998, the CEO will be paid an incentive fee and a bonus which are payable in installments at the CEO’s option. The incentive fee is 1% of the increase in market capitalization based on the bid price of the Company’s stock beyond the book value at confirmation of the bankruptcy, which was approximately \$260,000. The bonus is 0.5% of the increase in market capitalization for each \$1 increase in stock price up to a maximum of \$8 per share (4%) based on the bid price of the stock beyond the book value at confirmation of the bankruptcy. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, the incentive fee expense was \$0 and \$0, respectively.

**Note 19 – Related party transactions**

The Company had outstanding liabilities for related party loans, which were due on demand, as follows at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Loan from WCI officer, including interest of \$350 and \$1,600 at February 15, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively. The note was fully paid off on February 15, 2022. The note bore interest at 8% per annum and was due on demand.	\$ -	\$ 21,600
Loans from Mentor CEO, including interest of \$17,380 and \$10,644 at December 1, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively. The notes were fully paid off on December 1, 2022. The notes bore interest at 7.6% per annum compounded quarterly and were due within thirty days of demand.	\$ -	210,644
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 232,244</u>



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**Note 20 – Commitments and contingencies**

On May 28, 2019, the Company and Mentor Partner I, LLC filed suit against the G Farma Entities and three guarantors to the G Farma agreements, described in Notes 1, 8, and 9, in the California Superior Court in and for the County of Marin. The Company primarily sought monetary damages for breach of the G Farma agreements, including promissory notes, leases, and other agreements, as well as actions for an injunction to recover leased property, to recover collateral under a security agreement, and to collect from guarantors on the agreements. Due to uncertainty of collection, the Company has recorded reserves against the finance leases receivable described in Note 9 and has fully impaired all other notes receivables and investments in G Farma described in Note 8.

On November 13, 2019, G Farma filed a Cross-Complaint for declaratory relief and breach of contract relating to the consulting agreement between Mentor and G Farma. The Company filed an answer on December 6, 2019, denying each and every allegation.

On January 31, 2020, all remaining equipment leased to G Farma by Mentor Partner I, which was not impounded by the Corona Police, was repossessed by the Company, and moved to storage under the Company's control. In the quarter ended March 31, 2020, the Company sold a portion of the recovered equipment, with an original cost of \$495,967, for net proceeds of \$222,031. In the quarter ended June 30, 2020, the Company sold all remaining recovered equipment, with an original cost of \$126,703, for net proceeds of \$27,450, after deducting shipping and delivery costs. All proceeds from the sale of repossessed equipment were applied to the G Farma lease receivable balance.

On July 2, 2020, Mentor Capital, Inc. and Mentor Partner I, LLC filed a motion for summary adjudication seeking judgment on four of its sixteen causes of action related to breach of the Promissory Notes and the related guarantees.

On November 4, 2020, the Court granted Mentor Capital, Inc.'s and Mentor Partner I's motion for summary adjudication as to all four causes of action: both causes of action against G FarmaLabs Limited for breach of the two promissory notes totaling \$1,166,570 and one cause of action against each of Mr. Gonzalez and Ms. Gonzalez related to their duties as guarantors of G FarmaLabs Limited's obligations under the promissory notes.

On August 27, 2021, the Company and Mentor Partner I entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the G Farma Entities and guarantors ("G Farma Settlers") to resolve and settle all outstanding claims ("Settlement Agreement"). The Settlement Agreement requires the G Farma Settlers to pay the Company an aggregate of \$500,000 plus interest, payable monthly as follows: (i) \$500 per month for 12 months beginning on September 5, 2021, (ii) \$1,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2022, (iii) \$2,000 per month for 12 months beginning September 5, 2023, and (iv) increasing by an additional \$1,000 per month on each succeeding September 5th thereafter, until the settlement amount and accrued unpaid interest are paid in full. Interest on the unpaid balance shall initially accrue at the rate of 4.25% per annum, commencing February 25, 2021, compounded monthly, and shall be adjusted on February 25th of each year to equal the Prime Rate as published in the Wall Street Journal plus 1%. In the event that the G Farma Settlers fail to make any monthly payment and have not cured two such defaults within 10 days of notice from the Company, the parties have stipulated that an additional \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers.

On October 12, 2021, the parties filed a Stipulation for Dismissal and Continued Jurisdiction with the Superior Court of California in the County of Marin. The Court ordered that it retain jurisdiction over the parties under Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure to enforce the Settlement Agreement until the performance in full of its terms is met.

In August 2022, September 2022, and October 2022, the G Farma Settlers failed to make monthly payments, and failed to cure each default within 10 days' notice from Company pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. As a result, \$2,000,000 should be added to the amount payable by the G Farma Settlers in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Company is requesting that the stipulated judgment be entered against the G Farma Settlers for (1) the remaining amount of the \$500,000 settlement amount which has not yet been paid by the G Farma Settlers plus \$2,000,000 and all accrued unpaid interest, (2) the Company's incurred costs, and (3) attorneys' fees paid by the Company to obtain the judgment. We will continue to pursue collection from the G Farma Settlers over time.

The Company has retained the full reserve on unpaid notes receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments from G Farma will be recognized in Other Income as they are received. See Notes 1, 8, and 9. Recovery payments of \$3,550 and \$2,000 are included in other income in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. No payments were received from G Farma in the year ended December 31, 2020.

The Company has retained the reserve on collections of the unpaid lease receivable balance due to the long history of uncertain payments from G Farma. Payments recovered will be reported as Other income in the consolidated income statements. See Note 9 for a discussion of the reserve against the finance lease receivable.

For G Farma notes receivable we will continue to pursue collection of the settlement payments from the G Farma Settlers, its affiliates, and the guarantors of the various G Farma note purchase agreements that are fully impaired at December 31, 2022 and 2021; see Note 8. We will continue to pursue collection for lease payments remaining, after applying proceeds from the sale of recovered assets, that are fully impaired at December 31, 2022 and 2021, from the G Farma Settlers, Lease Entities, and G Farma Lease Guarantors, see Note 9.

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**Note 21 – Segment Information**

The Company is an operating, acquisition, and investment business. Subsidiaries in which the Company has a controlling financial interest are consolidated. The Company generally has two reportable segments; 1) the historic cannabis and medical marijuana segment which includes the cost basis of our former membership interests of Electrum, the former contractual interest in the Electrum legal recovery, the settlement payments receivable from G Farma and its co-defendants, the former finance lease payments receivable from Pueblo West to Partner II, the operation of subsidiaries Mentor IP and Partner I in the cannabis and medical marijuana sector, and 2) the Company's long standing investment in WCI which works with business park owners, governmental centers, and apartment complexes to reduce their facility related operating costs. Additionally, the Company formerly had small investments in securities listed on the NYSE and NASDAQ, an investment in note receivable from a non-affiliated party, the fair value of convertible notes receivable and accrued interest from NeuCourt, which on July 15, 2022 was exchanged for a NeuCourt SAFE security investment that will be carried at cost, and the investment in NeuCourt that is included in the Corporate, Other, and Eliminations section below.

	<i>Cannabis and Medical Marijuana Segment</i>	<i>Facilities Operations Related</i>	<i>Corporate, Other, and Eliminations</i>	<b>Consolidated</b>
<b>2022</b>				
Net sales	\$ 37,659	\$ 7,670,641	\$ (2,585)	\$ 7,705,715
Operating income (loss)	32,909	(830,098)	(828,109)	(1,625,298)
Interest income	-	5	58,725	58,730
Interest expense	-	46,321	33,878	80,199
Total assets	1,000	3,302,931	1,689,961	4,993,892
Property additions	-	63,089	-	63,089
Fixed asset depreciation and amortization	-	69,176	2,081	71,257
<b>2021</b>				
Net sales	\$ 40,764	\$ 5,969,674	\$ -	\$ 6,010,438
Operating income (loss)	26,849	95,336	(526,521)	(404,336)
Interest income	-	3	70,226	70,229
Interest expense	-	38,330	24,062	62,392
Total assets	900,484	2,240,047	1,645,910	4,786,441
Property additions	-	160,102	1,264	161,366
Fixed asset depreciation and amortization	-	45,936	5,744	51,710

The following table reconciles operating segments and corporate-unallocated operating income (loss) to consolidated income before income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, as presented in the consolidated income statements:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Operating loss	\$ (1,625,298)	\$ (404,336)
Employee retention tax credit (WCI)	1,350,161	-
Realized gain (loss) on investments in securities	(170,418)	1,017
Impairment of investments	-	22,718
Interest income	58,730	70,229
Interest expense	(80,199)	(62,392)
Gain (loss) on equipment disposals	56,455	86
PPP loan forgiven	-	87,122
EIDL Grant	-	-
Other income	58,027	38,870
Income before income taxes	<u>\$ (352,542)</u>	<u>\$ (246,686)</u>

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**Note 22 – Income tax**

The provision (benefit) for income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 consist of the following:

	2022	2021
Current:		
Federal	\$ -	\$ -
State	14,383	9,780
	<u>14,383</u>	<u>9,780</u>
Deferred:		
Federal	107,700	(500,400)
State	18,300	(150,000)
Change in valuation	126,000	650,400
Total provision (benefit)	<u>\$ 14,383</u>	<u>\$ 9,780</u>

The Company has net deferred tax assets resulting from a timing difference in recognition of depreciation and reserves for uncollectible accounts receivable and from net operating loss carryforwards.

At December 31, 2022, the Company had approximately \$8,100,000 of federal net operating loss carryforwards of which approximately \$4,600,000 can be carried forward indefinitely and the remaining balance will expire in between 2024 and 2025. The Company has a California net operating loss carryforward of approximately \$6,500,000 that begins expiring in 2024. Mentor relocated to Texas in September 2020 and the Company's ability to utilize the California net operating loss carryforwards is dependent on future generation of California taxable income.

The income tax provision (benefit) differs from the amount computed by applying the U.S. federal statutory corporate income tax rate of 21% and 21% in 2022 and 2021 to net income (loss) before income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 as a result of the following:

	2022	2021
Net income (loss) before taxes	\$ (352,542)	\$ (246,686)
US federal income tax rate	21%	21%
Computed expected tax provision (benefit)	(74,034)	(51,804)
Permanent differences and other	200,034	702,204
Change in valuation	(126,000)	(650,400)
Federal income tax provision	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The significant components of deferred income tax assets as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 after applying enacted corporate income tax rates are as follows:

	2022	2021
Net Operating Losses carried forward	\$ 1,908,200	\$ 2,409,400
Capital Losses carried forward	371,700	577,000
Deferred officer bonus and other	62,000	2,300
Valuation allowance	(2,341,900)	(2,988,700)
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state and local jurisdictions. All tax years from 2018 to 2021 are subject to examination

**Note 23 – Subsequent events**

Subsequent to year end, on January 10, 2023, the Company received the 2022 annual installment payment of \$117,000. Three additional \$117,000 annual installment payments are due in 2023, 2024, and 2025. The Company has retained its impairment reserves and recorded losses on investment due to a history of uncertain payments. See Note 3.

Subsequent to year end, on January 20, 2023, the Company and NeuCourt entered into a SAFE Purchase Agreement by which the Company invested an additional \$10,000 in the form of a NeuCourt Simple Agreement for Future Equity ("SAFE"), a security providing for conversion of the SAFE into shares of NeuCourt common or preferred stock at some future date under the same terms as the previous July 15, 2022 SAFE Purchase Agreement between NeuCourt and the Company. As of January 20, 2023, the Company owned SAFEs in the aggregate face amount of \$93,756. See Note 7.

**Description of Company's Securities**

As of March 31, 2023, Mentor Capital, Inc. has one class of securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended: our Common Stock.

The following description of our Common Stock is a summary and does not include all terms and conditions applicable to such shares. The description is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Certificate of Incorporation") and our Bylaws, each of which are incorporated by reference as an exhibit to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2022, to which this description is attached, and the Delaware General Corporation Law. We encourage you to read the Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, and the applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law for additional information.

**Authorized Capital Shares**

Our authorized capital shares consist of 75,000,000 shares of Common Stock, each with a par value of \$0.0001, and 5,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, each with a par value of \$0.0001, of which 200,000 shares of Preferred Stock have been designated as Series Q Preferred Stock.

**Voting Rights**

The holders of Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters voted on by shareholders, including the election of directors. The Company's Board of Directors is not classified, and each member is elected annually. The Common Stock does not have cumulative voting rights. Holders of Common Stock may act by unanimous consent.

**Dividend Rights**

Subject to the rights of holders of outstanding shares of Preferred Stock, including shares of Series Q Preferred Stock, the holders of Common Stock are entitled to receive dividends when and if declared by the Company's Board of Directors in its discretion out of funds legally available for payment of dividends.

**Liquidation Rights**

Subject to any preferential rights of outstanding shares of Preferred Stock, including shares of Series Q Preferred Stock, holders of Common Stock will share ratably in all assets legally available for distribution to our stockholders in the event of dissolution or liquidation.

**Other Rights and Preferences**

All of the issued shares of Common Stock of the Company are fully paid and non-assessable. Our Common Stock has no sinking fund provision and no preemptive, conversion, or exchange rights. Except as allowed by Delaware General Corporation Law, the shares of Common Stock are not subject to any redemption provisions.

**Trading**

The Company's shares of Common Stock are traded on the Over-the-Counter OTCQB ("OTCQB") under the trading symbol "MNTR."

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**Mentor Capital, Inc. Subsidiaries**

The following is a list of subsidiaries of Mentor Capital, Inc., omitting subsidiaries that, considered in the aggregate as a single subsidiary, would not constitute a significant subsidiary as of December 31, 2022:

Name of Subsidiary	% of ownership	State in which Incorporated
Waste Consolidators, Inc.	51%	Colorado
Mentor IP, LLC	100%	South Dakota
Mentor Partner I, LLC	100%	Texas
Mentor Partner II, LLC	100%	Texas
TWG, LLC	100%	Texas

Year ended December 31, 2022

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer**  
**Pursuant to Rule 13A-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

I, Chet Billingsley, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 of Mentor Capital, Inc.
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 27, 2023

/s/ CHET BILLINGSLEY  
Chet Billingsley  
Chief Executive Officer

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Year ended December 31, 2022

**Certification of Principal Financial Officer  
Pursuant to Rule 13A-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

I, Chet Billingsley, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 of Mentor Capital, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 27, 2023

/s/ CHET BILLINGSLEY  
Chet Billingsley  
Principal Financial Officer

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**Certification of Chief Executive Officer  
Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Amended,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Chet Billingsley, Chief Executive Officer of Mentor Capital, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby certify pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) or 15d-14(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code that to my knowledge:

1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2022, to which this statement is furnished as an exhibit (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
2. The information contained in this Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: March 27, 2023

*/s/ CHET BILLINGSLEY*  
Chet Billingsley  
Chief Executive Officer

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**Certification of Principal Financial Officer  
Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Amended,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Chet Billingsley, Principal Financial officer of Mentor Capital, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby certify pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) or 15d-14(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code that to my knowledge:

1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2022, to which this statement is furnished as an exhibit (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
2. The information contained in this Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: March 27, 2023

*/s/ CHET BILLINGSLEY*  
Chet Billingsley  
Principal Financial Officer

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