### **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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#### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 2, 2018

<b>Barings</b>	BDC,	Inc.
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

814-00733 (Commission File Number)

06-1798488 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

300 South Tryon Street, Suite 2500 Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

28202 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (704) 805-7200

**Triangle Capital Corporation** 3700 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 530 Raleigh, North Carolina 27612 (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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#### **Introductory Note**

As previously disclosed, on April 3, 2018, Triangle Capital Corporation ("**Triangle**") entered into a stock purchase and transaction agreement (the "**Externalization Agreement**") with Barings LLC (the "**Adviser**"), in connection with which the Adviser agreed to become the investment adviser to Triangle in exchange for (1) a payment by the Adviser of \$85.0 million directly to Triangle's stockholders, (2) an investment by the Adviser of \$100.0 million in newly issued shares of Triangle common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "**Common Stock**"), at net asset value upon the closing of the Externalization Transaction (as defined below), and (3) a commitment from the Adviser to purchase up to \$50.0 million of shares of Common Stock in the open market at prices up to and including the then-current net asset value per share of the Common Stock for a two-year period (the "**Trading Plan**"), after which the Adviser has agreed to use any remaining funds from the \$50.0 million to purchase additional newly issued shares of Common Stock at the greater of the then-current net asset value per share of the Common Stock and market price (collectively, the "**Externalization Transaction**"). In addition, under the Externalization Agreement, Triangle agreed to launch a \$50.0 million issuer tender offer immediately after the closing of the Externalization Transaction to purchase shares of Common Stock at prices up to and including net asset value per share. The tender offer is anticipated to commence on August 7, 2018.

Simultaneously with entering into the Externalization Agreement on April 3, 2018, Triangle also entered into an asset purchase agreement (the "APA") with BSP Asset Acquisition I, LLC (the "Asset Buyer"), an affiliate of Benefit Street Partners L.L.C. The asset sale transaction under the APA (the "Asset Sale") closed on July 31, 2018, pursuant to which Triangle sold substantially all of its investment portfolio in exchange for cash from the Asset Buyer and certain of its affiliates. Refer to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on July 31, 2018 for more information on the Asset Sale.

The Externalization Transaction closed on August 2, 2018 (the "Externalization Closing"). Effective as of the Externalization Closing, Triangle changed its name to Barings BDC, Inc. ("Barings"). References herein to the "Company" refers to Triangle immediately prior to the Externalization Closing and to Barings at and after the Externalization Closing.

In connection with the Externalization Closing, the following events occurred:

- On August 2, 2018, the Company entered into an investment advisory agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") and an administration agreement (the "Administration Agreement") with the Adviser pursuant to which the Adviser serves as the Company's investment adviser and administrator and manages its investment portfolio which initially consists of the cash proceeds received in connection with the Asset Sale.
- On August 2, 2018, the Company issued 8,529,917 shares of Common Stock to the Adviser at a price of \$11.723443 per share, or an aggregate of \$100.0 million in cash, in a private transaction exempt from registration under Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and/or Rule 506 of Regulation D thereunder (the "Stock Issuance").
- On August 2, 2018, the Company entered into a registration rights agreement with the Adviser with respect to the shares of Common Stock acquired in the Stock Issuance (the "Registration Rights Agreement").

The foregoing description of the Externalization Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Externalization Agreement, a copy of which was filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 9, 2018, and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 2, 2018, the Company entered into the Advisory Agreement with the Adviser, an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. The Company's then-current board of directors (the "Board") unanimously approved the Advisory Agreement at an in-person meeting on March 22, 2018. The Company's stockholders approved the Advisory Agreement at a special meeting of stockholders held on July 24, 2018.

Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Adviser manages our day-to-day operations and provides us with investment advisory services. Among other things, the Adviser (i) determines the composition of the portfolio of the Company, the nature and timing of the changes therein and the manner of implementing such changes; (ii) identifies, evaluates and negotiates the structure of the investments made by the Company; (iii) executes, closes, services and monitors the investments that the Company makes; (iv) determines the securities and other assets that the Company will purchase, retain or sell; (v) performs due diligence on prospective portfolio companies; and (vi) provides the Company with such other investment advisory, research and related services as the Company may, from time to time, reasonably require for the investment of its funds.

The Advisory Agreement provides that, absent fraud, willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, the Adviser, and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with the Adviser (collectively, the "IA Indemnified Parties"), are entitled to indemnification from the Company for any damages, liabilities, costs, demands, charges, claims and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) incurred by the IA Indemnified Parties in or by reason of any pending, threatened or completed action, suit, investigation or other proceeding (including an action or suit by or in the right of the Company or its security holders) arising out of any actions or omissions or otherwise based upon the performance of any of the Adviser's duties or obligations under the Advisory Agreement or otherwise as an investment adviser of the Company.

The Adviser's services under the Advisory Agreement are not exclusive, and the Adviser is generally free to furnish similar services to other entities so long as its performance under the Advisory Agreement is not adversely affected.

Under the Advisory Agreement, the Company pays the Adviser (i) a base management fee (the "Base Management Fee") and (ii) an incentive fee (the "Incentive Fee") as compensation for the investment advisory and management services it provides the Company thereunder.

#### Base Management Fee

The Base Management Fee is calculated based on the Company's gross assets, including assets purchased with borrowed funds or other forms of leverage and excluding cash and cash equivalents, at an annual rate of:

- 1.0% for the period from August 2, 2018 through December 31, 2018:
- 1.125% for the period commencing on January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019;
   and
- 1.375% for all periods thereafter.

The Base Management Fee is payable quarterly in arrears on a calendar quarter basis. The Base Management Fee will be calculated based on the average value of the Company's gross assets, excluding cash and cash equivalents, at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters prior to the quarter for which such fees are being calculated. Base Management Fees for any partial month or quarter will be appropriately pro-rated.

#### Incentive Fee

The Incentive Fee is comprised of two parts: (1) a portion based on the Company's pre-incentive fee net investment income (the "Income-Based Fee") and (2) a portion based on the net capital gains received on the Company's portfolio of securities on a cumulative basis for each calendar year, net of all realized capital losses and all unrealized capital depreciation for that same calendar year (the "Capital Gains Fee").

Income-Based Fee

The Income-Based Fee is calculated as follows:

- (i) For each quarter from and after August 2, 2018 (the date of the Advisory Agreement) through December 31, 2019 (the "Pre-2020 Period"), the Income-Based Fee will be calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter for which such fees are being calculated. In respect of the Pre-2020 Period, "Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income" means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees, such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence, managerial assistance and consulting fees or other fees that the Company receives from portfolio companies) accrued during the relevant calendar quarter, minus the Company's operating expenses for such quarter (including the Base Management Fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement, any interest expense and any dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the Incentive Fee). Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with payment-in-kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation.
- (ii) For each quarter beginning on and after January 1, 2020 (the "**Post-2019 Period**"), the Income-Based Fee will be calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter and the eleven preceding calendar quarters (or such fewer number of

preceding calendar quarters counting each calendar quarter beginning on or after January 1, 2020) (each such period will be referred to as the "Trailing Twelve Quarters") for which such fees are being calculated and will be payable promptly following the filing of the Company's financial statements for such quarter. In respect of the Post-2019 Period, "Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income" means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees, such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence, managerial assistance and consulting fees or other fees that the Company receives from portfolio companies) accrued during the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters, minus the Company's operating expenses for such Trailing Twelve Quarters (including the Base Management Fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement, any interest expense and any dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the Incentive Fee) divided by the number of quarters that comprise the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with payment-in-kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation.

- (iii) Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of the Company's net assets (defined as total assets less senior securities constituting indebtedness and preferred stock) at the end of the calendar quarter for which such fees are being calculated, will be compared to a "hurdle rate", expressed as a rate of return on the value of the Company's net assets at the end of the most recently completed calendar quarter, of 2% per quarter (8% annualized). The Company will pay the Adviser the Income-Based Fee with respect to the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income in each calendar quarter as follows:
  - (1) (a) With respect to the Pre-2020 Period, no Income-Based Fee for any calendar quarter in which the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (i) above) does not exceed the hurdle rate;
    - (b) With respect to the Post-2019 Period, no Income-Based Fee for any calendar quarter in which the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above) does not exceed the hurdle rate;
  - (2) (a) With respect to the Pre-2020 Period, 100% of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (i) above) for any calendar quarter with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for such quarter, if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 2.5% (10% annualized) (the "Pre-2020 Catch-Up Amount"). The Pre-2020 Catch-Up Amount is intended to provide the Adviser with an incentive fee of 20% on all of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (i) above) when the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (i) above) reaches 2% per quarter (8% annualized);
    - (b) With respect to the Post-2019 Period, 100% of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above) with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above), if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 2.5% (10% annualized) (the "Post-2019 Catch-Up Amount"). The Post-2019 Catch-Up Amount is intended to provide the Adviser with an incentive fee of 20% on all of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above) when the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above) reaches 2% per quarter (8% annualized);
  - (3) (a) With respect to the Pre-2020 Period, 20% of the amount of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (i) above) for any calendar quarter with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (i) above) for such quarter, if any, that exceeds the Pre-2020 Catch-Up Amount; and
    - (b) With respect to the Post-2019 Period, 20% of the amount of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above) for any calendar quarter with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in paragraph (ii) above), if any, that exceeds the Post-2019 Catch-Up Amount.

However, with respect to the Post-2019 Period, the Income-Based Fee paid to the Adviser will not be in excess of the Incentive Fee Cap. With respect to the Post-2019 Period, the "Incentive Fee Cap" for any quarter is an amount equal to (a) 20% of the Cumulative Net Return (as defined in the Advisory Agreement) during the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters minus (b) the aggregate Income-Based Fee that was paid in respect of the first eleven calendar quarters (or the portion thereof) included in the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters.

#### Capital Gains Fee

The Capital Gains Fee will be determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or upon termination of the Advisory Agreement), commencing with the calendar year ending on December 31, 2018, and is calculated at the end of each applicable year by subtracting (1) the sum of the Company's cumulative aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate unrealized capital depreciation from (2) the Company's cumulative aggregate realized capital gains, in each case calculated from August 2, 2018. If such amount is positive at the end of such year, then the Capital Gains Fee payable for such year is equal to 20% of such amount, less the cumulative aggregate amount of Capital Gains Fees paid in all prior years. If such amount is negative, then there is no Capital Gains Fee payable for such year. If the Advisory Agreement is terminated as of a date that is not a calendar year end, the termination date will be treated as though it were a calendar year end for purposes of calculating and paying a Capital Gains Fee.

#### Payment of Company Expenses

Under the Advisory Agreement, all investment professionals of the Adviser and its staff, when and to the extent engaged in providing services required to be provided by the Adviser under the Advisory Agreement, and the compensation and routine overhead expenses of such personnel allocable to such services, are provided and paid for by the Adviser and not by the Company, except that all costs and expenses of its operations and transactions, including, without limitation, those items listed in the Advisory Agreement, will be borne by the Company.

#### Duration and Termination of Advisory Agreement

The Advisory Agreement has an initial term of two years. Thereafter, it will continue to renew automatically for successive annual periods so long as such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by: (i) the vote of the Board, or by the vote of stockholders holding a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company; and (ii) the vote of a majority of the Company's independent directors, in either case, in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Advisory Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, upon 60 days' written notice, by: (a) by vote of a majority of the Board or by vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company (as defined in the 1940 Act); or (b) the Adviser. Furthermore, the Advisory Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its "assignment" (as such term is defined for purposes of Section 15(a)(4) of the 1940 Act).

#### Administration Agreement

On August 2, 2018, the Company entered into the Administration Agreement with the Adviser. Under the terms of the Administration Agreement, the Adviser performs (or oversees, or arranges for, the performance of) the administrative services necessary for the operation of the Company, including, but not limited to, office facilities, equipment, clerical, bookkeeping and record-keeping services at such office facilities and such other services as the Adviser, subject to review by the Board, from time to time, determines to be necessary or useful to perform its obligations under the Administration Agreement. The Adviser also, on behalf of the Company and subject to the Board's approval, arranges for the services of, and oversees, custodians, depositories, transfer agents, dividend disbursing agents, other stockholder servicing agents, accountants, attorneys, underwriters, brokers and dealers, corporate fiduciaries, insurers, banks and such other persons in any such other capacity deemed to be necessary or desirable.

The Company is required to reimburse the Adviser for the costs and expenses incurred by the Adviser in performing its obligations and providing personnel and facilities under the Administration Agreement, including, but not limited to:

- the allocable portion of the Adviser's rent for the Company's Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Compliance Officer and their respective staffs, which is based upon the allocable portion of the usage thereof by such personnel in connection with their performance of administrative services under the Administration Agreement;
- the allocable portion of the salaries, bonuses, benefits and expenses of the Company's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer and their respective staffs, which is based upon the allocable portion of the time spent by such personnel in connection with performing administrative services for the Company under the Administration Agreement;
- the actual cost of goods and services used for the Company and obtained by the Adviser from entities not affiliated with the Company, which is reasonably allocated to the Company on the basis of assets, revenues, time records or other method conforming with generally accepted accounting principles;
- all fees, costs and expenses associated with the engagement of a sub-administrator;
- costs associated with (a) the monitoring and preparation of regulatory reporting, including registration statements and amendments thereto, prospectus supplements, and tax reporting, (b) the coordination and oversight of service

provider activities and the direct cost of such contractual matters related thereto and (c) the preparation of all financial statements and the coordination and oversight of audits, regulatory inquiries, certifications and sub-certifications.

The Administration Agreement has an initial term of two years, and thereafter will continue automatically for successive annual periods so long as such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by the Company's Board, including a majority of the independent directors. The Administration Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, by vote of the directors of the Company, or by the Adviser, upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. The Administration Agreement may not be assigned by a party without the consent of the other party.

#### Registration Rights Agreement

On August 2, 2018, the Company entered into the Registration Rights Agreement with the Adviser. Under the terms of the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company has agreed to prepare and file with the SEC a registration statement within 30 days of August 2, 2018 to register the resale of the Common Stock acquired by the Adviser in the Stock Issuance (the "Registration Statement"). The Company has agreed to use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Registration Statement to be declared effective by the SEC as soon as practicable and no later than 60 days after August 2, 2018 (or, in the event the SEC reviews and has written comments to the Registration Statement, the 90th calendar day following August 2, 2018).

Under the Externalization Agreement, until August 2, 2020, the Adviser has agreed to not transfer any shares of Common Stock acquired in the Stock Issuance, other than to its employees or affiliates, or to any employees of its affiliates (so long as each such transferee agrees to the same transfer restrictions). Accordingly, resales through the Registration Statement of shares of Common Stock acquired in the Stock Issuance will not occur until August 2, 2020.

The foregoing descriptions of the Advisory Agreement, the Administration Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement are only summaries of certain of the provisions of such agreements and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the underlying agreements. The Advisory Agreement, the Administration Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement are attached as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3 this Current Report on Form 8-K, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

In connection with the Externalization Closing, the Company terminated the Triangle Capital Corporation Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Omnibus Plan"):

The Omnibus Plan provided for grants of restricted stock and other equity awards to the Company's employees, officers and directors, and payment of cash bonuses to employees and officers, as determined by the Board and its Compensation Committee. The foregoing description of the Omnibus Plan is not complete and is subject to, and entirely qualified by reference to, the full text of the Omnibus Plan, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on June 2, 2017, and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 3.02. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

The information contained in the Introductory Note above regarding the Stock Issuance is incorporated into this Item 3.02 by reference. The Adviser is an "accredited investor" as that term is defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act.

#### Item 5.01. Changes in Control of Registrant.

The information contained in the Introductory Note above regarding the Stock Issuance and the information contained in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated into this Item 5.01 by reference. In connection with the Stock Issuance, the Adviser became the beneficial owner of approximately 15.2% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock.

The Adviser used available cash on hand to fund the purchase of shares of Common Stock in connection with the Stock Issuance.

### Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Agreements of Certain Officers.

On August 2, 2018, in connection with the Externalization Closing, all of the Company's then-current directors resigned from their positions on the Board, with the exception of Mark Mulhern. Prior to their resignations, the Board appointed the following individuals to serve on the Board for the terms indicated below, effective as of and after the Externalization Closing. Other than as provided for in the Externalization Agreement, none of the below individuals were appointed to the Board pursuant to any arrangement or understanding with any other person, and there are no current or proposed transactions between the Company and any of the below individuals or their immediate family members which would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the SEC.

Director Name	Director Class	Term Expires
<b>Interested Directors</b>		
Michael Freno	Class II	2020
Tom Finke	Class III	2021
Eric Lloyd	Class I	2019
<b>Independent Directors</b>		
Thomas W. Okel	Class III	2021
Jill Olmstead	Class III	2021
Mark Mulhern	Class I	2019
John Switzer	Class II	2020

In connection with the Externalization Closing, the Board approved a decrease in the size of the Board from eight members to seven members, effective as of August 2, 2018. In addition, effective as of August 2, 2018, the Board was divided into three classes of directors whereby the directors hold office for staggered terms of three years each.

Effective as of August 2, 2018, the following Board committees were formed, each of which will consist of all of the independent directors: (i) Audit Committee (chaired by Mr. Switzer), (ii) Nominating and Governance Committee (chaired by Mr. Okel), and (iii) Compensation Committee (chaired by Ms. Olmstead).

Also, in connection with the Externalization Closing, each of the following individuals resigned as officers of the Company effective as of the Externalization Closing:

- E. Ashton Poole, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President;
- Steven C. Lilly, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer;
- C. Robert Knox, Jr., the Company's Controller and Principal Accounting Officer;
- Jeffrey A. Dombcik, Senior Managing Director and Chief Credit Officer:
- Cary B. Nordan, Senior Managing Director and Chief Origination Officer;
   and
- Douglas A. Vaughn, Senior Managing Director and Chief Administrative Officer.

Effective as of the Externalization Closing, the following individuals have been appointed to the office listed next to their name:

Name	Age	Position
Eric Lloyd	50	Chief Executive Officer
Jonathan Bock	36	Chief Financial Officer
Ian Fowler	54	President
C. Robert Knox, Jr.	46	Principal Accounting Officer
Melissa LaGrant	44	Chief Compliance Officer

Other than as provided for in the Externalization Agreement, there is no arrangement or understanding between any of the above-listed individuals and any other person pursuant to which he or she was appointed as an officer the Company, nor is there any family relationship between any of the above-listed individuals and any of the Company's directors or other executive officers. Further, with regard to the above-listed individuals, there are no transactions since the beginning of the Company's last fiscal year, or any currently proposed transaction, in which the Company is a participant that would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the SEC.

The business experience disclosure required by Item 401(e) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the SEC for Ms. LaGrant and Messrs. Lloyd and Fowler is included in the Company's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the SEC on June 1, 2018 (the "**Proxy Statement**"), under "Proposal 3 - Approval of the Advisory Agreement," and is incorporated into this Item 5.02 by reference.

Mr. Bock, 36, is the Chief Financial Officer of the Company and a Managing Director in the Adviser's Global Private Finance Group. Prior to joining the Adviser in 2018, Mr. Bock was a Managing Director and Senior Equity Analyst at Wells Fargo Securities specializing in business development companies ("BDCs"). He has actively followed the BDC space since 2006 and was the chief author of a leading BDC quarterly research publication: the BDC Scorecard. His research is often cited by The Wall Street Journal, Barron's, and other prominent financial publications. Prior to Wells Fargo, Mr. Bock followed the specialty finance space at Stifel Nicolaus & Company and A.G. Edwards Inc. Prior to entering sell-side research in 2006, Mr. Bock was an equity portfolio manager/analyst at Busey Wealth Management in Champaign, Illinois. Mr. Bock holds a BS in finance from the University of Illinois College of Business and is a CFA charterholder.

Mr. Knox, 46, is the Principal Accounting Officer of the Company and a Managing Director of the Adviser. Mr. Knox previously served as the Principal Accounting Officer and a Senior Vice President at Triangle. Prior to joining Triangle in 2007, Mr. Knox was Director of External Reporting for Tekelec, a publicly traded global provider of telecommunications network systems and software applications. Prior to Tekelec, Mr. Knox spent over four years as Director of Internal Audit for SpectraSite, Inc., a U.S.-based wireless tower company. Mr. Knox began his career in the Assurance and Advisory Services Group of Deloitte & Touche LLP, where he spent over seven years serving both public and private companies. Mr. Knox is a graduate of Wake Forest University and is licensed as a Certified Public Accountant in North Carolina.

As disclosed in the Proxy Statement, the Board previously established a cash bonus pool in the amount of \$2.5 million (the "Bonus Pool") to be allocated among Triangle employees for the successful closing of a strategic transaction and delegated authorization to a committee of the Board (the "Bonus Committee") to determine, in the Bonus Committee's sole discretion, how much of the Bonus Pool to award, if any, who will receive a share of the Bonus Pool, and the amount of the bonus thereunder for any individual officer or employee. On July 31, 2018, the Bonus Committee approved the award and allocation of the Bonus Pool funds to certain of Triangle's employees, including to certain of Triangle's named executive officers, as defined under SEC rules, as set forth in the table below:

<b>Executive Officer</b>	Title	Discretionary Bonus
E. Ashton Poole	President and Chief Executive Officer	\$500,000
Steven C. Lilly	Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer	\$500,000
Jeffrey A. Dombcik	Senior Managing Director and Chief Credit Officer	\$235,000
Douglas A. Vaughn	Senior Managing Director and Chief Administrative Officer	\$110,000

Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

#### Articles of Amendment

On August 2, 2018, the Company filed Articles of Amendment to its charter (the "Articles of Amendment"), which were accepted for record by the Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland ("SDAT"), pursuant to which the Company, as previously announced, changed its name to "Barings BDC, Inc." In accordance with the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL"), the Board approved the Articles of Amendment without stockholder approval. The Articles of Amendment became effective upon their acceptance for record by SDAT. In connection with the name change, the Company's trading symbol on the New York Stock Exchange for shares of the Common Stock will change from "TCAP" to "BBDC" beginning on August 3, 2018.

#### **Articles Supplementary**

As required by the terms of the Externalization Agreement, and effective as of the Externalization Closing, the Board classified the Board pursuant to Section 3-803 of the MGCL into three classes with directors serving three-year terms. The term of the Class I directors shall last until the annual meeting of stockholders held in 2019 and until their successors are elected and qualify. The term of the Class II directors shall last until the annual meeting of stockholders held in 2020 and until their successors are elected and qualify. The term of the Class III directors shall last until the annual meeting of stockholders held in 2021 and until their successors are elected and qualify. At each annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company, the successors to the class of directors whose term expires at such meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term continuing until the annual meeting of stockholders held in the third year following the year of their election and until their successors are elected and qualify. In accordance with MGCL, the Company filed Articles Supplementary effecting the Company's election to be subject to Section 3-803 of the MGCL with SDAT, which were accepted for record by SDAT on August 2, 2018.

#### Bylaws

Effective as of Externalization Closing, the Board approved the Seventh Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company (the "Bylaws") to reflect the new name of the Company and amend Section 3.2 of the Bylaws to facilitate the newly classified Board. As amended, Section 3.2 of the Bylaws requires a classified Board with three designated classes: Class I, Class II and Class III with each class of directors serving in such capacity for a term continuing until the annual meeting of stockholders held in the third year following their election and until their successors are elected and qualify. To the extent possible, each class shall have the same number of directors.

The foregoing summary of the Articles of Amendment, the Articles Supplementary and Bylaws do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of the Articles of Amendment, the Articles Supplementary and Bylaws, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1, Exhibit 3.2 and Exhibit 3.3, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Immediately following the Externalization Closing, the Company's estimated net asset value was approximately \$658.7 million, or approximately \$11.72 per share, which consisted almost entirely of cash on hand available to make investments in accordance with its investment objectives, for the \$50.0 million issuer Tender Offer (discussed further in Item 8.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K) and for general corporate purposes. In addition, the Company had no long-term debt outstanding as of August 2, 2018.

The information in this report furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. It may only be incorporated by reference in another filing under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act if such subsequent filing specifically references the information furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

#### Press Release

On August 2, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing the Externalization Closing and the record date for the \$85 million cash payment from the Adviser to the Company's stockholders for the right to become the Company's investment adviser (the "Stockholder Payment"). The Stockholder Payment of \$1.7836119 per share will be made on August 3, 2018 (the "Payment Date") to the Company's stockholders of record as of August 2, 2018. Stockholders who sell their shares of Common Stock on or before the Payment Date will not be entitled to receive the Stockholder Payment. Thus, it is important to remember that the day on which stockholders can sell their shares without being obligated to deliver the Stockholder Payment to the buyer of such shares is the first business day after the Payment Date.

The full text of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Tender Offer

On August 1, 2018, pursuant to the terms of the Externalization Agreement, the Company's then-current Board authorized a modified "Dutch auction" tender offer, to commence immediately after the Externalization Closing, to purchase shares of the Common Stock for an aggregate cash purchase price of up to \$50.0 million at prices up to and including net asset value per share (the "**Tender Offer**"). On August 2, 2018, following the Externalization Closing, the Company's newly-appointed Board authorized

the commencement of the Tender Offer on August 7, 2018, on which date the Company anticipates filing materials related to the Tender Offer with the SEC.

#### Trading Plan

As previously disclosed, in connection with the Externalization Transaction, the Adviser committed to enter into the Trading Plan, pursuant to which it agreed to purchase up to \$50.0 million of shares of Common Stock in the open market at prices up to and including the then-current net asset value per share of the Common Stock for a two-year period. In order to ensure compliance with applicable securities laws in connection with the Trading Plan and the Tender Offer, the Adviser intends to enter into and commence the Trading Plan on the later of (i) eleven business days following the settlement of the Tender Offer and (ii) the first business day following the settlement of the Tender Offer on which the Adviser has no material nonpublic information regarding the Company. The Trading Plan will have a two-year term and, after commencement, if it is suspended for any reason, the number of days during which purchases pursuant to the Trading Plan cannot be made as a result of the suspension thereof for any reason shall be added to the two-year period thereof.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit</u>	
<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
3.1	Articles of Amendment
3.2	Articles Supplementary
3.3	Seventh Amended and Restated Bylaws
10.1	Investment Advisory Agreement, dated August 2, 2018, by and between the Company and Barings LLC
10.2	Administration Agreement, dated August 2, 2018, by and between the Company and Barings LLC
10.3	Registration Rights Agreement, dated August 2, 2018, by and between the Company and Barings LLC
99.1	Press Release, dated August 2, 2018

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Barings BDC, Inc.

Date: August 2, 2018 By: /s/ Jonathan Bock

Jonathan Bock

Chief Financial Officer

## ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT OF TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

Triangle Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "Corporation"), hereby certifies to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland that:

FIRST: The Corporation desires to amend its charter as currently in effect.

 $\underline{\text{SECOND}}$ : The charter is hereby amended by deleting the text of Article I in its entirety and inserting the following in place thereof:

The name of the corporation (the "Corporation") is:

Barings BDC, Inc.

 $\underline{\text{THIRD}}$ : The foregoing amendment to the charter of the Corporation has been unanimously approved by the board of directors of the Corporation and the amendment is limited to a change expressly authorized by § 2-605 of the Maryland General Corporation Law to be made without action by the stockholders of the Corporation.

<u>FOURTH</u>: The undersigned acknowledges these Articles of Amendment to be the act and deed of the Corporation and, as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned acknowledges that, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts relating to the Corporation are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties of perjury.

[Signatures on following page]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Amendment are hereby signed in the name of and have been duly executed, as of the 2nd day of August, 2018, on behalf of the Corporation, by its officer set forth below.

ATTEST: TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION /s/ Steven C. Lilly /s/ E. Ashton Poole E. Ashton Poole

Steven C. Lilly

Secretary Chief Executive Officer and

President

#### TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

#### **ARTICLES Supplementary**

Triangle Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), hereby certifies to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland (the "<u>SDAT</u>") that:

FIRST: Under a power contained in Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL"), by resolutions duly adopted by the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") and notwithstanding any other provision in the Company's charter or bylaws to the contrary, the Company elects to be subject to Section 3-803 of the MGCL, the repeal of which may be effected only by the means authorized by Section 3-802(b)(3) of the MGCL.

SECOND: The Company's election to be subject to Section 3-803 of the MGCL has been approved by the Board in the manner and by the vote required by law.

THIRD: The undersigned acknowledges these Articles Supplementary to be the corporate act of the Company and, as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned acknowledges that, to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties for perjury.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles Supplementary are hereby signed in the name of and have been duly executed, as of the 2nd day of August, 2018, on behalf of the Company, by its officer set forth below.

ATTEST: TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

/s/ Steven C. Lilly /s/ E. Ashton Poole
Steven C. Lilly E. Ashton Poole
Secretary Chief Executive Officer and President

# SEVENTH AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF BARINGS BDC, INC. (the "Corporation")

### ARTICLE I. OFFICES

<u>Section 1.1 Principal Office.</u> The principal office of the Corporation in the State of Maryland shall be located at such place as the Board of Directors may designate.

<u>Section 1.2</u> <u>Additional Offices</u>. The Corporation may have additional offices, including a principal executive office, at such places as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

### ARTICLE II. MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS

<u>Section 2.1 Place</u>. All meetings of the stockholders shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation or at such other place as shall be set by the Board of Directors and stated in the notice of the meeting.

<u>Section 2.2 Annual Meetings</u>. An annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held to elect directors whose terms expire at the meeting and to transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. The annual meeting shall be held on the date and at the time designated by the Board of Directors. Failure to hold an annual meeting does not invalidate the Corporation's existence or affect any otherwise valid acts of the Corporation.

#### Section 2.3 Special Meetings.

- (a) General. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Chairman, the President or the Board of Directors may call a special meeting of the stockholders. Subject to Section 2.3(b), the Secretary of the Corporation shall also call a special meeting of stockholders to act upon any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders upon the written request of stockholders entitled to cast not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on such matter at such meeting.
  - (b) Stockholder Requested Special Meetings.
- (1) Any stockholder of record seeking to have stockholders request a special meeting shall, by sending written notice to the Secretary (the "Record Date Request Notice") by registered mail, return receipt requested, request the Board of Directors to fix a record date to determine the stockholders entitled to request a special meeting ("Request Record Date"). The Record Date Request Notice shall set forth the purpose of the meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at it (which shall only be lawful matters), shall be signed by one or more stockholders of record as of the date of signature (or their agents duly authorized in a writing accompanying the Record Date Request Notice), shall bear the date of signature of each such stockholder (or such agent), and shall set forth all information relating to each such stockholder and each matter proposed to be acted on at the meeting that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of directors in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such a solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Upon receiving the Record Date Request Notice, the Board of Directors may fix a Request Record Date. The Request Record Date shall not precede and shall not be more than ten days after the close of business on the date on which the Board of Directors adopts the resolution fixing the Request Record Date. If the Board of Directors, within ten days after the date on which a valid Record Date Request Notice is received, fails to adopt a resolution fixing the Request Record Date, the Request Record Date shall be the close of business on the tenth day after the first date on which the Record Date Request Notice is received by the Secretary.

- (2) In order for any stockholder to request a special meeting to act on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders, one or more written requests for a special meeting (collectively the "Special Meeting Request") signed by the stockholders of record (or their agents duly authorized in a writing accompanying the request) as of the Request Record Date entitled to cast not less than a majority of all of the votes entitled to be cast on such matter at such meeting (the "Special Meeting Request Percentage") shall be delivered to the Secretary. In addition, the Special Meeting Request shall (a) set forth the purpose of the meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at it (which shall be limited to those lawful matters set forth in the Record Date Request Notice received by the Secretary), (b) bear the date of signature of each such stockholder (or such agent) signing the Special Meeting Request, (c) set forth the name and address, as they appear in the Corporation's books, of each stockholder signing such request (or on whose behalf the Special Meeting Request is signed), the class, series and number of all shares of stock of the Corporation which are owned (beneficially or of record) by such stockholder, and the nominee holder for, and number of, shares of stock of the Corporation owned beneficially but not of record by such stockholder, (d) be sent to the Secretary by registered mail, return receipt requested, and (e) be received by the Secretary within 60 days after the Request Record Date. Any requesting stockholder (or agent duly authorized in a writing accompanying the revocation or the Special Meeting Request) may revoke his, her or its Special Meeting Request at any time by written revocation delivered to the Secretary.
- (3) The Secretary shall inform the requesting stockholders of the reasonably estimated cost of preparing and delivering the notice of the meeting (including the Corporation's proxy materials). The Secretary shall not be required to call a special meeting upon a stockholder request and such meeting shall not be held unless, in addition to the documents required by Section 2.3(b)(2), the Secretary receives payment of such reasonably estimated cost prior to the preparation and mailing or delivery of such notice of the meeting.
- (4) In the case of any special meeting called by the Secretary upon the request of stockholders (a "Stockholder Requested Meeting"), such meeting shall be held at such place, date and time as may be designated by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the date of any Stockholder Requested Meeting shall not be more than 90 days after the record date for such meeting (the "Meeting Record Date"); and provided further that if the Board of Directors fails to designate, within ten days after the date that a valid Special Meeting Request is actually received by the Secretary (the "Delivery Date"), a date and time for a Stockholder Requested Meeting, then such meeting shall be held at 2:00 p.m. local time on the 90th day after the Meeting Record Date or, if such 90th day is not a Business Day (as defined below), on the first preceding Business Day; and provided further that in the event that the Board of Directors fails to designate a place for a Stockholder Requested Meeting within ten days after the Delivery Date, then such meeting shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation. In fixing a date for any special meeting, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Chairman, the President or the Board of Directors may consider such factors as he, she or it deems relevant, including, without limitation, the nature of the matters to be considered, the facts and circumstances surrounding any request for the meeting and any plan of the Board of Directors to call an annual meeting or a special meeting. In the case of any Stockholder Requested Meeting, if the Board of Directors fails to fix a Meeting Record Date that is a date within 30 days after the Delivery Date, then the close of business on the 30th day after the Delivery Date shall be the Meeting Record Date. The Board of Directors may revoke the notice for any Stockholder Request Meeting in the event that the requesting stockholders fail to comply with the provisions of Section 2.3(b)(3).
- (5) If written revocations of requests of the Special Meeting Request have been delivered to the Secretary and the result is that stockholders of record (or their agents duly authorized in writing), as of the Request Record Date, entitled to cast less than the Special Meeting Percentage have delivered, and not revoked, requests for a special meeting to the Secretary: (i) if the notice of meeting has not already been delivered, the Secretary shall refrain from delivering the notice of the meeting and send to all requesting stockholders who have not revoked such requests written notice of any revocation of a request for the special meeting, or (ii) if the notice of meeting has been delivered and if the Secretary first sends to all requesting stockholders who have not revoked requests for a special meeting on a matter written notice of any revocation of a request for the special meeting and written notice of the Corporation's intention to revoke the notice of the meeting or for the chairman of the meeting to adjourn the meeting without action on the matter, (A) the Secretary may revoke the notice of the meeting at any time before ten days before the commencement of the meeting or (B) the chairman of the meeting may call the meeting to order and adjourn the meeting without acting on the matter. Any request for a special meeting received after a revocation by the Secretary of a notice of a meeting shall be considered a request for a new special meeting.

- (6) The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Chairman, the President or the Board of Directors may appoint independent inspectors of elections to act as the agent of the Corporation for the purpose of promptly performing a ministerial review of the validity of any purported Special Meeting Request received by the Secretary. For the purpose of permitting the inspectors to perform such review, no such purported Special Meeting Request shall be deemed to have been delivered to the Secretary until the earlier of (i) five Business Days after receipt by the Secretary of such purported request and (ii) such date as the independent inspectors certify to the Corporation that the valid requests received by the Secretary represent, as of the Request Record Date, stockholders of record entitled to cast not less than the Special Meeting Percentage. Nothing contained in this Section 2.3(b)(6) shall in any way be construed to suggest or imply that the Corporation or any stockholder shall not be entitled to contest the validity of any request, whether during or after such five Business Day period, or to take any other action (including, without limitation, the commencement, prosecution or defense of any litigation with respect thereto, and the seeking of injunctive relief in such litigation).
- (7) For purposes of these Bylaws, "Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or other day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

Section 2.4 Notice of Meetings. At least ten days, but not more than 90 days, prior to the date designated for each meeting of stockholders, the Secretary of the Corporation shall give to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting and to each stockholder not entitled to vote who is entitled to notice of the meeting notice in writing or by electronic transmission of the time and place of the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting or as otherwise may be required by any statute, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, by placing the notice in the mail, delivering it by overnight delivery service or transmitting the notice by electronic mail or any other electronic means. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail addressed to each stockholder at such stockholder's address appearing on the books of the Corporation or supplied by the stockholder to the Corporation for the purpose of notice. If transmitted electronically, such notice shall be deemed to be given when transmitted to the stockholder by an electronic transmission to any address or number of the stockholder at which the stockholder receives electronic transmissions. A single notice to all stockholders who share an address shall be effective as to any stockholder at such address who consents to such notice or after having been notified of the Corporation's intent to give a single notice fails to object in writing to such single notice within 60 days. Failure to give notice of any meeting to one or more stockholders, or any irregularity in such notice, shall not affect the validity of any meeting fixed in accordance with this Article II, or the validity of any proceedings at any such meeting. The notice of any meeting of stockholders may be accompanied by a form of proxy approved by the Board of Directors in favor of the actions or director nominees as the Board of Directors may select. Notice of any meeting of stockholders shall be deemed waived by any stockholder who attends the meeting in person or by proxy or who before or after the meeting submits a waiver of notice in writing or by electronic transmission that is filed with the records of the meeting. Subject to Section 2.11 of this Article II, any business of the Corporation may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders without being specifically designated in the notice of such meeting, except such business as is required by any statute to be stated in such notice. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting of stockholders except as specifically designated in the notice of such meeting. The Corporation may postpone or cancel a meeting of stockholders by making a "public announcement" (as defined in Section 2.11(c)(3) of such postponement or cancellation prior to the meeting. Notice of the date to which the meeting is postponed shall be given not less than ten days prior to such date and otherwise in the manner set forth in this Section 2.4.

Section 2.5 Organization and Conduct. Every meeting of stockholders shall be conducted by an individual appointed by the Board of Directors to be chairman of the meeting or, in the absence of such appointment, by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the Executive Chairman, if any, or, in the case of a vacancy in the offices or an absence of the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the Executive Chairman, by one of the following officers present at the meeting: the Vice Chairman of the Board, if any, the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, the Treasurer or, in the absence of such officers, a chairman chosen by the stockholders by the vote of a majority of the votes cast by stockholders present in person or by proxy. The Secretary or, in the Secretary's absence, an individual appointed by the Board of Directors or, in the absence of such appointment, an individual appointed by the chairman of the meeting shall act as secretary. In the event that the Secretary presides at a meeting of the stockholders, an individual appointed by the Board of Directors or the chairman of the meeting, shall record the minutes of the meeting. The

chairman of the meeting shall determine the order of business and all other matters of procedure at any meeting of stockholders. The chairman of the meeting may prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and take such action as, in the discretion of the chairman and without any action by the stockholders, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting, including, without limitation, (a) restricting admission to the time set for the commencement of the meeting; (b) limiting attendance at the meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized proxies or other such individuals as the chairman of the meeting may determine; (c) limiting participation at the meeting on any matter to stockholders of record of the Corporation entitled to vote on such matter, their duly authorized proxies or other such individuals as the chairman of the meeting may determine; (d) limiting the time allotted to questions or comments by participants; (e) determining when and for how long the polls should be opened and when the polls should be closed; (f) maintaining order and security at the meeting; (g) removing any stockholder or any other individual who refuses to comply with meeting procedures, rules or guidelines as set forth by the chairman of the meeting; (h) concluding a meeting or recessing or adjourning the meeting to a later date and time and at a place announced at the meeting; and (i) complying with any state and local laws and regulations concerning safety and security. Unless otherwise determined by the chairman of the meeting, meetings of stockholders shall not be required to be held in accordance with the rules of parliamentary procedure.

Section 2.6 Quorum. The presence in person or by proxy of the holders of shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast (without regard to class) at any meeting shall constitute a quorum at such meeting of the stockholders, except with respect to any such matter that, under applicable statutes or regulatory requirements, requires approval by a separate vote of one or more classes of stock, in which case the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of shares entitled to cast a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by each such class on such a matter shall constitute a quorum. If, however, such quorum shall not be present at any meeting of the stockholders, the chairman of the meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time to a date not more than 120 days after the original record date without notice other than announcement at the meeting. At such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified. The stockholders present either in person or by proxy, at a meeting which has been duly called and at which a quorum was established, may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough stockholders to leave less than a quorum.

<u>Section 2.7 Voting</u>. A nominee for director shall be elected to the Board of Directors if the votes cast for such nominee's election exceed the votes cast against such nominee's election. A majority of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present shall be sufficient to approve any other matter which may properly come before the meeting, unless more than a majority of the votes cast is required by statute or by the charter of the Corporation. Unless otherwise provided by statute or in the charter of the Corporation, each outstanding share, regardless of class, shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the stockholders.

<u>Section 2.8 Proxies</u>. A stockholder may cast the votes entitled to be cast by the shares of stock owned of record by the stockholder in person or by proxy executed by the stockholder or by the stockholder's duly authorized agent in any manner permitted by law. Such proxy or evidence of authorization of such proxy shall be filed with the Secretary of the Corporation before or at the meeting. No proxy shall become invalid due to the adjournment or postponement of a meeting of stockholders, or a change in the record date for such meeting, unless so provided in the proxy. No proxy shall be valid more than eleven months after its date unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

Section 2.9 Voting of Stock by Certain Holders. Stock of the Corporation registered in the name of a corporation, partnership, trust or other entity, if entitled to be voted, may be voted by the president or a vice president, a general partner or trustee thereof, as the case may be, or a proxy appointed by any of the foregoing individuals, unless some other person who has been appointed to vote such stock pursuant to a bylaw or a resolution of the governing body of such corporation or other entity or agreement of the partners of a partnership presents a certified copy of such bylaw, resolution or agreement, in which case such person may vote such stock. Any director or other fiduciary may vote stock registered in his or her name in his or her capacity as such a fiduciary, either in person or by proxy. Shares of stock of the Corporation directly or indirectly owned by it shall not be voted at any meeting and shall not be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares entitled to be voted at any given time, unless they are held by it in a fiduciary capacity, in which case they may be voted and shall be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares at any given time. The Board of Directors may adopt by resolution a procedure by which a stockholder may certify in writing to the Corporation that any shares of stock registered in the name of the stockholder are held

for the account of a specified person other than the stockholder. The resolution shall set forth the class of stockholders who may make the certification, the purpose for which the certification may be made, the form of certification and the information to be contained in it; if the certification is with respect to a record date, the time after the record date within which the certification must be received by the Corporation; and any other provisions with respect to the procedure which the Board of Directors considers necessary or desirable. On receipt of such certification, the person specified in the certification shall be regarded as, for the purposes set forth in the certification, the stockholder of record of the specified stock in place of the stockholder who makes the certification.

Section 2.10 Inspectors. The Board of Directors, or the chairman of the meeting may appoint, before or at the meeting, one or more inspectors for the meeting and any successor thereto. The inspectors, if any, shall (i) determine the number of shares of stock represented at the meeting, in person or by proxy, and the validity and effect of proxies, (ii) receive and tabulate all votes, ballots or consents, (iii) report such tabulation to the chairman of the meeting, (iv) hear and determine all challenges and questions arising in connection with the right to vote, and/or (v) do such acts as are proper to fairly conduct the election or vote. Each such report shall be in writing and signed by him or her or by a majority of them if there is more than one inspector acting at such meeting. If there is more than one inspector, the report of a majority shall be the report of the inspectors. The report of the inspector or inspectors on the number of shares represented at the meeting and the results of the voting shall be prima facie evidence thereof.

#### Section 2.11 Advance Notice of Stockholder Nominees for Director and Other Stockholder Proposals

- (a) Annual Meetings of Stockholders.
- (1) Nominations of individuals for election to the Board of Directors and the proposal of other business to be considered by the stockholders may be made at an annual meeting of stockholders (i) pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting, (ii) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or (iii) by any stockholder of the Corporation who was a stockholder of record both at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 2.11(a) and at the time of the annual meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of each individual so nominated or on any such other business and who has complied with this Section 2.11(a).
- (2) For nominations or other business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder pursuant to Section 2.11(a)(1)(iii), the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the Secretary of the Corporation and such other business must otherwise be a proper matter for action by the stockholders. To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall set forth all information required under this Section 2.11 and shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not earlier than the 120th day nor later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 90th day prior to the first anniversary of the date of the proxy statement for the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is advanced or delayed by more than 30 days from the first anniversary of the date of the preceding year's annual meeting, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered not earlier than the 120th day prior to the date of such annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the date of such annual meeting or the tenth day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. In no event shall the public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of an annual meeting commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above. Such stockholder's notice shall set forth: (i) as to each individual whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection (each, a "Proposed Nominee"), all information relating to the Proposed Nominee that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of the Proposed Nominee as a director in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder (including the Proposed Nominee's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected); (ii) as to any business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, a description of such business, the stockholder's reasons for proposing such business at the meeting and any material interest in such business of such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person (as defined below), individually or in the aggregate, including any anticipated benefit to the stockholder or the Stockholder Associated Person therefrom; (iii) as to the stockholder giving the notice, any Proposed Nominee and any Stockholder Associated Person, (A) the class, series and number of all shares of stock or other securities of the Corporation or any affiliate thereof (collectively, the "Corporation Securities"), if any, which are owned (beneficially or of record) by such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, the

date on which each such Corporation Security was acquired and the investment intent of such acquisition, and any short interest (including any opportunity to profit or share in any benefit from any decrease in the price of such stock or other security) in any Corporation Securities of any such person; (B) the nominee holder for, and number of, any Corporation Securities owned beneficially but not of record by such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person; (C) whether and the extent to which such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, directly or indirectly (through brokers, nominees or otherwise), is subject to or during the last six months has engaged in any hedging, derivative or other transaction or series of transactions or entered into any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short interest, any borrowing or lending of securities or any proxy or voting agreement), the effect or intent of which is to (I) manage risk or benefit of changes in the price of (x) Corporation Securities or (y) any security of any entity that was listed in the Peer Group in the Stock Performance Graph in the most recent annual report to security holders of the Corporation (a "Peer Group Company") for such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person or (II) increase or decrease the voting power of such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person in the Corporation or any affiliate thereof (or, as applicable, in any Peer Group Company) disproportionately to such person's economic interest in the Corporation Securities (or, as applicable, in any Peer Group Company); (D) any substantial interest, direct or indirect (including, without limitation, any existing or prospective commercial, business or contractual relationship with the Corporation), by security holdings or otherwise, of such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, in the Corporation or any affiliate thereof, other than an interest arising from the ownership of Corporation Securities where such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person receives no extra or special benefit not shared on a pro rata basis by all other holders of the same class or series; and (E) whether such stockholder believes any Proposed Nominee is, or is not, an "interested person" of the Corporation, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder (the "Investment Company Act") and information regarding such Proposed Nominee that is sufficient, in the discretion of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof or any authorized officer of the Corporation, to make such determination; (iv) as to the stockholder giving the notice, any Stockholder Associated Person with an interest or ownership referred to in Section 11(a)(2)(ii) and Section 11(a)(2)(iii) and any Proposed Nominee, (A) the name and address of such stockholder, as they appear on the Corporation's stock ledger, and the current name and business address, if different, of each such Stockholder Associated Person and any Proposed Nominee; and (B) the investment strategy or objective, if any, of such stockholder and each such Stockholder Associated Person who is not an individual and a copy of the prospectus, offering memorandum or similar document, if any, provided to investors or potential investors in such stockholder, and each such Stockholder Associated Person; (v) to the extent known by the stockholder giving the notice, the name and address of any other stockholder supporting the nominee for election or reelection as a director or the proposal of other business on the date of such stockholder's notice; and (vi) as to any Proposed Nominee, the Proposed Nominee's certification that he or she currently intends to serve as a director for the full term for which he or she is standing (if so elected).

- (3) Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.11(a) to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board of Directors is increased, and there is no public announcement of such action at least 100 days prior to the first anniversary of the date of the proxy statement for the preceding year's annual meeting, a stockholder's notice required by this Section 2.11(a) shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the tenth day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation.
- (4) For purposes of this Section 2.11, "Stockholder Associated Person" of any stockholder shall mean (i) any person acting in concert with such stockholder, (ii) any beneficial owner of shares of stock of the Corporation owned of record or beneficially by such stockholder (other than a stockholder that is a depository) and (iii) any person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person.
- (b) Special Meetings of Stockholders. Only such business shall be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, nominations of individuals for election to the Board of Directors may be made at a special meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected only (i) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or (ii) provided that the special meeting has been called in accordance with Section 2.3 for the purpose of

electing directors, by any stockholder of the Corporation who is a stockholder of record both at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 2.11(b) and at the time of the special meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of each individual so nominated and who has complied with this Section 2.11(b). In the event the Corporation calls a special meeting of stockholders for the purpose of electing one or more individuals to the Board of Directors, any such stockholder may nominate an individual or individuals (as the case may be) for election as a director as specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting, if the stockholder's notice containing the information required by Section 2.11(a)(2) shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not earlier than the 120th day prior to such special meeting and not later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on the later of the 90th day prior to such special meeting or the tenth day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and the nominees proposed by the Board of Directors to be elected at such meeting. In no event shall the public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of a special meeting to a later date or time commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

#### (c) General.

- (1) If information submitted pursuant to this Section 2.11 by any stockholder proposing a nominee for election as a director or any proposal for other business at a meeting of stockholders shall be inaccurate in any material respect, such information may be deemed not to have been provided in accordance with this Section 2.11. Any such stockholder shall notify the Corporation of any inaccuracy or change (within two Business Days of becoming aware of such inaccuracy or change) in any such information. Upon written request by the secretary or the Board of Directors, any such stockholder shall provide, within five Business Days of delivery of such request (or such other period as may be specified in such request), (A) written verification, satisfactory in the discretion of the Board of Directors or any authorized officer of the Corporation, to demonstrate the accuracy of any information submitted by the stockholder pursuant to this Section 2.11 and (B) a written update of any information submitted by the stockholder pursuant to this Section 2.11 as of an earlier date. If a stockholder fails to provide such written verification or written update within such period, the information as to which written verification or a written update was requested may be deemed not to have been provided in accordance with this Section 2.11.
- (2) Only such individuals who are nominated in accordance with this Section 2.11 shall be eligible for election by stockholders as directors, and only such business shall be conducted at a meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 2.11. The chairman of the meeting shall have the power to determine whether a nomination or any other business proposed to be brought before the meeting was made or proposed, as the case may be, in accordance with this Section 2.11.
- (3) "Public announcement" shall mean disclosure (i) in a press release reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press, Business Wire, PR Newswire or other widely circulated news or wire service or (ii) in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Exchange Act or the Investment Company Act.
- (4) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.11, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of state law and of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 2.11. Nothing in this Section 2.11 shall be deemed to affect any right of a stockholder to request inclusion of a proposal in, nor the right of the Corporation to omit a proposal from, the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act. Nothing in this Section 2.11 shall require disclosure of revocable proxies received by the stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person pursuant to a solicitation of proxies after the filing of an effective Schedule 14A by such stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person under Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act.
- <u>Section 2.12 Control Share Acquisition Act</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws, Title 3, Subtitle 7 of the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL"), or any successor statute, shall not apply to any acquisition by any person of shares of stock of the Corporation. This section may be repealed, in whole or part, at any time, whether before or after an acquisition of control shares and, upon such repeal, may, to the extent provided by any successor bylaw, apply to any prior or subsequent control share acquisition.

<u>Section 2.13 Voting by Ballot</u>. Voting on any question or in any election may be viva voce unless the presiding officer shall order or any stockholder shall demand that voting be by ballot.

<u>Section 2.14 Informal Action by Stockholders</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of stockholders may be taken without a meeting if there is filed with the records of stockholders meetings an unanimous written consent which sets forth the action and is signed by each stockholder entitled to vote on the matter and a written waiver of any right to dissent signed by each stockholder entitled to notice of the meeting but not entitled to vote at it.

### ARTICLE III. DIRECTORS

<u>Section 3.1 General Powers</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of its Board of Directors.

Section 3.2 Number and Tenure. At any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for that purpose, a majority of the entire Board of Directors may establish, increase or decrease the number of directors, provided that the number shall never be less than one (1) nor more than twelve (12), and the tenure of office of a director shall not be affected by any decrease in the number of directors. At such time as permitted by Section 3-802(a) of Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the MGCL, the Corporation elects to be subject to Section 3-804(b) of Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the MGCL. The Corporation has elected to be subject to the provisions of Section 3-803 of the MGCL. Pursuant to this election, the Board of Directors was divided into three (3) classes, designated Class I, Class II and Class III. To the extent possible, each class shall have the same number of directors. The term of office of the Class I Directors shall continue until the date of the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualify. The terms of the office of the Class III Directors shall continue until the date of the 2021 annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualify. Upon expiration of the term of office of each class set forth above, the successors to the class of directors whose term expires at each annual meeting of stockholders shall be elected to hold office for a term continuing until the annual meeting of stockholders in the third year following the year of their election and until their successors are elected and qualify.

<u>Section 3.3 Annual and Regular Meetings</u>. An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately after and at the same place as the annual meeting of stockholders, no notice other than this Bylaw being necessary. In the event such meeting is not so held, the meeting may be held at such time and place as shall be specified in a notice given as hereinafter provided for special meetings of the Board of Directors. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held from time to time at such places and times as provided by the Board of Directors by resolution, without notice other than such resolution.

<u>Section 3.4 Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Chairman, the President or by a majority of the directors then in office. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Directors may fix any place as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board of Directors called by them. The Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of special meetings of the Board of Directors without notice other than such resolution.

Section 3.5 Notice. Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be delivered personally or by telephone, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, United States mail or courier to each director at his or her business or residence address. Notice by personal delivery, telephone, electronic mail or facsimile transmission shall be given at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Notice by United States mail shall be given at least three days prior to the meeting. Notice by courier shall be given at least two days prior to the meeting. Telephone notice shall be deemed to be given when the director or his or her agent is personally given such notice in a telephone call to which the director or his or her agent is a party. Electronic mail notice shall be deemed to be given upon transmission of the message to the electronic mail address given to the Corporation by the director. Facsimile transmission notice shall be deemed to be given upon completion of the transmission of the message to the number given to the Corporation by the director and receipt of a completed answer back indicating receipt. Notice by United States mail shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail properly addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. Notice by courier shall be deemed to be given when deposited with or delivered to a courier properly addressed. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor

the purpose of, any annual, regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors need be stated in the notice, unless specifically required by statute or these Bylaws.

Section 3.6 Quorum. A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that, if less than a majority of such directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice, and provided further that if, pursuant to applicable law, the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws, the vote of a majority or other percentage of a particular group of directors is required for action a quorum must also include a majority of such group. The directors present at a meeting, which has been duly called and at which a quorum was established may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal from the meeting of enough directors to leave fewer than were required to establish a quorum

Section 3.7 Voting. The action of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the action of the Board of Directors, unless the concurrence of a greater proportion is required for such action by applicable law, the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws. If enough directors have withdrawn from a meeting to leave fewer than were required to establish a quorum but the meeting is not adjourned, the action of a majority of that number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum at such meeting shall be the action of the Board of Directors, unless the concurrence of a greater proportion is required for such action by applicable law, the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws.

<u>Section 3.8 Chairman of the Board</u>. The Board of Directors shall designate one or more chairmen of the board who shall preside over board meetings and stockholders' meetings at which he or she must be present. The Board of Directors may designate the chairman of the board as an executive or non-executive chairman. The Board of Directors may also designate a Vice Chairman of the Board who shall perform the same duties as the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Section 3.9 Organization. At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the Executive Chairman, or, in the absence of the Chairman or Executive Chairman, the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, if any, shall act as chairman of the meeting. In the absence of each of the Chairman, Executive Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or in the absence of the Chief Executive Officer, the President, or in the absence of the President, a director chosen by a majority of the directors present, shall act as chairman of the meeting. The Secretary or, in his or her absence, an individual appointed by the chairman of the meeting, shall act as secretary of the meeting.

<u>Section 3.10 Telephone Meetings</u>. Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time; provided however, this Section 3.10 does not apply to any action of the directors pursuant to the Investment Company Act that requires the vote of the directors to be cast in person at a meeting. Participation in a meeting by these means shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

Section 3.11 Consent by Directors Without a Meeting. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing or by electronic transmission to such action is given by each director and is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors; provided, however, this Section 3.11 does not apply to any action of the directors pursuant to the Investment Company Act that requires the vote of the directors to be cast in person at a meeting.

Section 3.12 Vacancies. If for any reason any or all the directors cease to be directors, such event shall not terminate the Corporation or affect these Bylaws or the powers of the remaining directors hereunder, if any. At such time as permitted by Section 3-802(a) of Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the MGCL, the Corporation elects to be subject to Section 3-804(c) of Subtitle 8 of Title 3 of the MGCL. Accordingly, at such time, except as may be provided by the Board of Directors in setting the terms of any class or series of preferred stock, any vacancy and all vacancies on the Board of Directors may be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors in office, even if the remaining directors do not constitute a quorum. Any director elected to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the full term of the directorship in which the vacancy occurred and until a successor is elected and qualifies, subject to any applicable requirements of the Investment Company Act.

<u>Section 3.13 Compensation</u>. Directors shall not receive any stated salary for their services as directors but, by resolution of the Board of Directors, may receive compensation per year and/or per meeting and for any service or activity they performed or engaged in as directors. Directors may be reimbursed for expenses of attendance, if any, at each annual, regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof and for their expenses, if any, in connection with such service or activity they performed or engaged in as directors; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any directors from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

Section 3.14 Removal and Resignation of Directors. The stockholders may, at any time, remove any director in the manner provided in the charter of the Corporation. Any director of the Corporation may resign at any time by delivering his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Chairman or the Secretary of the Corporation. Any resignation shall take effect immediately upon its receipt or at such later time specified in the resignation. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective unless otherwise stated in the resignation.

Section 3.15 Reliance. Each director and officer of the Corporation shall, in the performance of his or her duties with respect to the Corporation, be entitled to rely on any information, opinion, report or statement, including any financial statement or other financial data, prepared or presented by an officer or employee of the Corporation whom the director or officer reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented, by a lawyer, certified public accountant or other person, as to a matter which the director or officer reasonably believes to be within the person's professional or expert competence, or, with respect to a director, by a committee of the Board of Directors on which the director does not serve, as to a matter within its designated authority, if the director reasonably believes the committee to merit confidence.

Section 3.16 Ratification. The Board of Directors or the stockholders may ratify and make binding on the Corporation any action or inaction by the Corporation or its officers to the extent that the Board of Directors or the stockholders could have originally authorized the matter. Moreover, any action or inaction questioned in any stockholders' derivative proceeding or any other proceeding on the ground of lack of authority, defective or irregular execution, adverse interest of a director, officer or stockholder, non-disclosure, miscomputation, the application of improper principles or practices of accounting, or otherwise, may be ratified, before or after judgment, by the Board of Directors or by the stockholders, and if so ratified, shall have the same force and effect as if the questioned action or inaction had been originally duly authorized, and such ratification shall be binding upon the Corporation and its stockholders and shall constitute a bar to any claim or execution of any judgment in respect of such questioned action or inaction.

<u>Section 3.17 Emergency Provisions.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision in the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws, this Section 3.17 shall apply during the existence of any catastrophe, or other similar emergency condition, as a result of which a quorum of the Board of Directors under Article III of these Bylaws cannot readily be obtained (an "Emergency"). During any Emergency, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, (i) a meeting of the Board of Directors or a committee thereof may be called by any director or officer by any means feasible under the circumstances; (ii) notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors during such an Emergency may be given less than 24 hours prior to the meeting to as many directors and by such means as may be feasible at the time, including publication, television or radio and (iii) the number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum shall be one-third of the entire Board of Directors.

### ARTICLE IV. COMMITTEES

<u>Section 4.1 Number, Tenure and Qualifications</u>. The Board of Directors may appoint from among its members an Executive Committee, an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and other committees, composed of one or more directors, to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 4.2 Powers</u>. The Board of Directors may delegate to committees appointed under Section 4.1 of this Article any of the powers of the Board of Directors, except as prohibited by law.

Section 4.3 Meetings. Notice of committee meetings shall be given in the same manner as notice for special meetings of the Board of Directors. A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the committee. The act of a majority of the committee members present at a meeting shall be the act of such committee. The Board of Directors may designate a chairman of any committee, and such chairman or, in the absence of a chairman, any two members of any committee (if there are at least two members of the Committee) may fix the time and place of its meeting unless the Board shall otherwise provide. In the absence of any member of any such committee, the members thereof present at any meeting, whether or not they constitute a quorum, may appoint another director to act in the place of such absent member. Each committee shall keep minutes of its proceedings.

<u>Section 4.4 Telephone Meetings</u>. Members of a committee of the Board of Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Participation in a meeting by these means shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

<u>Section 4.5 Consent by Committees Without a Meeting</u> Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of a committee of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing or by electronic transmission to such action is given by each member of the committee is filed with the minutes of proceedings of such committee.

<u>Section 4.6 Vacancies</u>. Subject to the provisions hereof, the Board of Directors shall have the power at any time to change the membership of any committee, to fill any vacancy to designate an alternate member to replace any absent or disqualified member or to dissolve any such committee. Subject to the power of the Board of Directors, the members of the committee shall have the power to fill any vacancies on the committee.

### ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Secretary and a Treasurer and may include one or more Vice Presidents, an Executive Chairman, a Chief Operating Officer, a Chief Financial Officer, a Chief Investment Officer, and one or more Managing Directors. In addition, the Board of Directors may from time to time elect such other officers with such powers and duties as it shall deem necessary or desirable. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors, except that the Chief Executive Officer or President may from time to time appoint one or more Vice Presidents or other officers. The Executive Chairman shall be chosen from among the directors. Each officer shall serve until his or her successor is elected and qualifies or until his or her death or his or her resignation or removal in the manner hereinafter provided. The same person may hold any two or more offices except President and Vice President. Election of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights between the Corporation and such officer or agent.

Section 5.2 Removal and Resignation. Any officer or agent of the Corporation may be removed, with or without cause, by the Board of Directors if in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Any officer of the Corporation may resign at any time by delivering his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Chairman, the President or the Secretary. Any resignation shall take effect immediately upon its receipt or at such later time specified in the notice of resignation. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective unless otherwise stated in the resignation. Such resignation shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the Corporation.

<u>Section 5.3 Vacancies</u>. A vacancy in any office may be filled by the Board of Directors for the balance of the term.

<u>Section 5.4 Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Board of Directors may designate a Chief Executive Officer. In the absence of such designation, the President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation. The Chief Executive Officer shall have general responsibility for implementation of the policies of the Corporation, as determined by the Board of Directors, and for the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He or she may execute any deed, mortgage, bond, contract or other instrument, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly

delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed, and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chief Executive Officer and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

<u>Section 5.5 President</u>. In the absence of a designation of a Chief Executive Officer by the Board of Directors, the President shall be the Chief Executive Officer. He or she may execute any deed, mortgage, bond, contract or other instrument, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed, and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

<u>Section 5.6 Executive Chairman</u>. Subject to the provisions of these Bylaws, the Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors shall have all powers commonly incident to such position or which are or from time to time may be delegated to him or her by the Board of Directors, or which are or may at any time be authorized or required by law.

<u>Section 5.7 Chief Financial Officer</u>. The Board of Directors may designate a Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall have the responsibilities and duties as determined by the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer.

<u>Section 5.8 Chief Investment Officer</u>. The Board of Directors may designate a Chief Investment Officer. The Chief Investment Officer shall have the responsibilities and duties as determined by the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer.

Section 5.9 Secretary. The Secretary shall (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the stockholders, the Board of Directors, committees of the Board of Directors, and committees of the officers in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of any seal adopted by the Corporation; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such stockholder; (e) have general charge of the stock transfer books of the Corporation; and (f) in general perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Chief Executive Officer, the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 5.10 Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have the custody of the funds and securities of the Corporation and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Corporation and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors. In the absence of a designation of a Chief Financial Officer by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall be the Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation. The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Corporation as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the President and Board of Directors, at the regular meetings of the Board of Directors or whenever it may so require, an account of all his or her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation.

<u>Section 5.11</u> <u>Managing Directors</u>. The Managing Directors, if any, shall serve as officers of the Corporation. The Managing Directors shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the President, the Chief Executive Officer or the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 5.12 Investment Committee and Other Committees</u> The President, Chief Executive Officer, and Board of Directors shall appoint individuals to serve as members of the Corporation's Investment Committee. The Investment Committee shall perform such duties as required to evaluate investments of the Corporation, and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to it by the President, the Chief Executive Officer or the Board of Directors. The President and Chief Executive Officer may, from time to time, establish other committees.

### ARTICLE VI. CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS AND DEPOSITS

<u>Section 6.1 Contracts</u>. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or to execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Any agreement, deed, mortgage, lease or other document shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation when duly authorized or ratified by action of the Board of Directors and executed by an authorized person.

<u>Section 6.2 Checks and Drafts</u>. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or agent of the Corporation in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 6.3 Deposits</u>. All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited or invested from time to time to the credit of the Corporation as the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer or any other officer designated by the Board of Directors may determine.

#### ARTICLE VII. STOCK

Section 7.1 Certificates; Required Information. Except as otherwise may be provided by the Board of Directors, stockholders of the Corporation are not entitled to certificates representing the shares of stock held by them. In the event that the Corporation issues shares of stock represented by certificates, such certificates shall be in such form as prescribed by the Board of Directors or a duly authorized officer, shall contain any information required by the MGCL and shall be signed by the officers of the Corporation in the manner permitted by the MGCL. In the event that the Corporation issues shares of stock without certificates, to the extent then required by the MGCL, the Corporation shall provide to the record holders of such shares a written statement of the information required by the Maryland General Corporation Law to be included on stock certificates. There shall be no differences in the rights and obligations of stockholders based on whether or not their shares are represented by certificates.

Section 7.2 Transfers When Certificates Issued. All transfers of shares of stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation, by the holder of the shares, in person or by his or her attorney, in such manner as the Board of Directors or any officer of the Corporation may prescribe and, if such shares are certificated, upon surrender of certificates duly endorsed. The issuance of a new certificate upon the transfer of certificated shares is subject to the determination of the Board of Directors that such shares shall no longer be represented by certificates. Upon the transfer of uncertificated shares, to the extent then required by the MGCL, the Corporation shall provide to record holders of such shares a written statement of the information required by the MGCL to be included on stock certificates. The Corporation shall be entitled to treat the holder of record of any share of stock as the holder in fact thereof and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Maryland. Notwithstanding the foregoing, transfers of shares of any class or series of stock will be subject in all respects to the charter of the Corporation and all of the terms and conditions contained therein.

Section 7.3 Replacement Certificate. The President, the Secretary, the Treasurer or any other officer of the Corporation may direct a new certificate to be issued in place of any certificate previously issued by the Corporation alleged to have been lost, stolen, destroyed or mutilated upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming the certificate to be lost, stolen, destroyed or mutilated; provided, however, if such shares have ceased to be certificated, no new certificate shall be issued unless requested in writing by such stockholder and the Board of Directors has determined that such certificates may be issued. Unless otherwise determined by an officer of the Corporation, the owner of such lost, stolen, destroyed or mutilated certificate or certificates, or his or her legal representative, shall be required, as a condition precedent to the issuance of a new certificate or certificates, to give the Corporation a bond in such sums as it may direct as indemnity against any claim that may be made against the Corporation.

<u>Section 7.4 Closing of Transfer Books or Fixing of Record Date</u>. The Board of Directors may set, in advance, a record date for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or determining stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or the allotment of any other rights, or in order

to make a determination of stockholders for any other proper purpose. Such date, in any case, shall not be prior to the close of business on the day the record date is fixed and shall be not more than 90 days and, in the case of a meeting of stockholders, not less than ten days, before the date on which the meeting or particular action requiring such determination of stockholders of record is to be held or taken. When a record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at any meeting of stockholders has been set as provided in this Section 7.4, such record date shall continue to apply to the meeting if adjourned or postponed, except if the meeting is adjourned to a date more than 120 days or postponed to a date more than 90 days after the record date originally fixed for the meeting, in which case a new record date for such meeting may be determined as set forth herein.

<u>Section 7.5 Stock Ledger</u>. The Corporation shall maintain at its principal office or at the office of its counsel, accountants or transfer agent, an original or duplicate stock ledger containing the name and address of each stockholder and the number of shares of stock of each class held by such stockholder.

Section 7.6 Fractional Stock; Issuance of Units. The Board of Directors may issue fractional stock or provide for the issuance of scrip, all on such terms and under such conditions as they may determine. Notwithstanding any other provision of the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws, the Board of Directors may issue units consisting of different securities of the Corporation. Any security issued in a unit shall have the same characteristics as any identical securities issued by the Corporation, except that the Board of Directors may provide that for a specified period securities of the Corporation issued in such unit may be transferred on the books of the Corporation only in such unit.

#### ARTICLE VIII. ACCOUNTING YEAR

The Board of Directors shall have the power, from time to time, to fix the fiscal year of the Corporation by a duly adopted resolution.

### ARTICLE IX. DISTRIBUTIONS

<u>Section 9.1 Authorization</u>. Dividends and other distributions upon the stock of the Corporation may be authorized by the Board of Directors, subject to the provisions of law and the charter of the Corporation. Dividends and other distributions may be paid in cash, property or stock of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of law and the charter of the Corporation.

Section 9.2 Contingencies. Before payment of any dividends or other distributions, there may be set aside out of any assets of the Corporation available for dividends or other distributions such sum or sums as the Board of Directors may from time to time, in its absolute discretion, think proper as a reserve fund for contingencies, for equalizing dividends, for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation or for such other purpose as the Board of Directors shall determine, and the Board of Directors may modify or abolish any such reserve.

### ARTICLE X. SEAL

<u>Section 10.1 Seal</u>. The Board of Directors may authorize the adoption of a seal by the Corporation. The seal shall contain the name of the Corporation and the year of its incorporation and the words "Incorporated Maryland." The Board of Directors may authorize one or more duplicate seals and provide for the custody thereof.

<u>Section 10.2 Affixing Seal.</u> Whenever the Corporation is permitted or required to affix its seal to a document, it shall be sufficient to meet the requirements of any law, rule or regulation relating to a seal to place the word "(SEAL)" adjacent to the signature of the person authorized to execute the document on behalf of the Corporation.

### ARTICLE XI. INDEMNIFICATION AND ADVANCE OF EXPENSES

To the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law and the Investment Company Act, in effect from time to time, the Corporation shall indemnify and, without requiring a preliminary determination of the ultimate entitlement to indemnification, shall pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to (a) any

individual who is a present or former director or officer of the Corporation and who is made, or threatened to be made, a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity or (b) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Corporation and at the request of the Corporation, serves or has served as a director, officer, partner or trustee of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise and who is made, or threatened to be made, a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in any such capacity. The rights to indemnification and advance of expenses provided by the charter of the Corporation and these Bylaws shall vest immediately upon election of a director or officer. The Corporation may, with the approval of its Board of Directors or any duly authorized committee thereof, provide such indemnification and advance for expenses to a person who served a predecessor of the Corporation in any of the capacities described in (a) or (b) above and to any employee or agent of the Corporation or a predecessor of the Corporation upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such indemnified person to repay amounts that have so been paid if it is ultimately determined that indemnification of such expenses is not authorized under these Bylaws. The indemnification and payment or reimbursement of expenses provided in these Bylaws shall not be deemed exclusive of or limit in any way other rights to which any person seeking indemnification or payment of expenses may be or may become entitled under any bylaw, regulation, insurance, agreement or otherwise. Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article, nor the adoption or amendment of any other provision of the Bylaws or charter of the Corporation inconsistent with this Article, shall apply to or affect in any respect the applicability of the preceding paragraph with respect to any act or failure to act that occurred prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption. Any indemnification or payment or reimbursement of expenses made pursuant to these Bylaws shall be subject to applicable requirements of the Investment Company Act.

#### ARTICLE XII. WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice of a meeting is required to be given pursuant to the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws or pursuant to applicable law, a waiver thereof in writing or by electronic transmission, given by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Neither the business to be transacted at nor the purpose of any meeting need be set forth in the waiver of notice, unless specifically required by statute. The attendance of any person at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where such person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

### ARTICLE XIII. INSPECTION OF RECORDS

A stockholder who is otherwise eligible under the MGCL to inspect certain books and records of the Corporation shall have no right to inspect any such books and records if the Board of Directors determines that such stockholder has an improper purpose for such inspection.

### ARTICLE XIV. INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT

If and to the extent that any provision of the MGCL, including, without limitation, Subtitle 6 and, if then applicable, Subtitle 7, of Title 3 of the MGCL, or any provision of the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws conflicts with any provision of the Investment Company Act, the applicable provision of the Investment Company Act shall control.

### ARTICLE XV. EXCLUSIVE FORUM

Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of a different forum, the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, Maryland (the "Maryland Circuit Court") or the state court located within the City of Raleigh in Wake County, North Carolina (the "NC State Court"), or, if neither of these courts have jurisdiction, the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, Baltimore Division or the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, shall be the sole and exclusive forum for (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation, (b) any action asserting an internal corporate claim (as defined in the MGCL) or (c) any other action asserting a claim against the Corporation or any director or officer or other employee of the Corporation that is governed

by the internal affairs doctrine. Any stockholder (or beneficial owner of stock) who is a party to any action or proceeding governed by this Article shall be deemed to have consented to the jurisdiction of the foregoing courts solely for the purpose of adjudicating any action or proceeding governed by this Article. With respect to an action or proceeding in the Maryland Circuit Court and the NC State Court governed by this Article, the Corporation and the stockholders (or beneficial owners of stock) shall be deemed to have consented to the assignment of the action or proceeding to the Business and Technology Case Management Program for the State of Maryland (or any successor program governing complex corporate proceedings) and the North Carolina Business Court, respectively.

### ARTICLE XVI. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Unless the Corporation's charter provides otherwise, the Board of Directors shall have the exclusive power to adopt, alter or repeal any provision of these Bylaws and to make new Bylaws.

#### INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT

#### **BETWEEN**

#### TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

#### **AND**

#### **BARINGS LLC**

AGREEMENT, dated as of August 2, 2018, between Triangle Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), and Barings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Adviser").

WHEREAS, the Company is a non-diversified, closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company ("BDC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (together with the rules promulgated thereunder, the "1940 Act");

WHEREAS, the Adviser is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (together with the rules promulgated thereunder, the "Advisers Act");

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain the Adviser to provide investment advisory services to the Company in the manner and on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Adviser is willing to provide investment advisory services to the Company in the manner and on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants hereinafter contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Adviser hereby agree as follows:

#### 1.<u>In</u> General.

The Adviser agrees, all as more fully set forth herein, to act as investment adviser to the Company with respect to the investment of the Company's assets and to supervise and arrange for the day-to-day operations of the Company and the purchase of assets for and the sale of assets held in the investment portfolio of the Company.

#### 2. Duties and Obligations of the Adviser with Respect to Investment of Assets of the Company.

- (a) Subject to the succeeding provisions of this paragraph and subject to the direction and control of the Company's board of directors (the "Board of Directors"), the Adviser shall act as the investment adviser to the Company and shall manage the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the Company. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Adviser shall, during the term and subject to the provisions of this Agreement, (i) determine the composition of the portfolio of the Company, the nature and timing of the changes therein and the manner of implementing such changes; (ii) identify, evaluate and negotiate the structure of the investments made by the Company; (iii) execute, close, service and monitor the investments that the Company makes; (iv) determine the securities and other assets that the Company will purchase, retain or sell; (v) perform due diligence on prospective portfolio companies; and (vi) provide the Company with such other investment advisory, research and related services as the Company may, from time to time, reasonably require for the investment of its funds. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to restrict the Company's right to hire its own employees or to contract for administrative services to be performed by third parties, including but not limited to, the calculation of the net asset value of the Company's shares.
- (b) In the performance of its duties under this Agreement, the Adviser shall at all times use all reasonable efforts to conform to, and act in accordance with, any requirements imposed by (i) the provisions of the 1940 Act, and of any rules or regulations in force thereunder, subject to the terms of any exemptive order applicable to the Company;

- (ii) any other applicable provision of law; (iii) the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Company, as such documents may be amended from time to time; (iv) the investment objectives, policies and restrictions applicable to the Company as set forth in the reports and/or registration statements that the Company files with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as they may be amended from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Company; and (v) any policies and determinations of the Board of Directors of the Company and provided in writing to the Adviser.
- (c) The Adviser will provide significant managerial assistance to those portfolio companies of the Company that the Company agrees to provide such services to as required by the 1940 Act.
- (d) The Adviser may engage one or more investment advisers (each, a "<u>Sub-Adviser</u>") which are registered under the Advisers Act to act as sub-advisers to provide the Company certain services set forth in Section 2(a) of this Agreement, all as shall be set forth in a written contract (each, a "<u>Sub-Advisory Agreement</u>") to which the Company and the Adviser shall be parties, which Sub-Advisory Agreement shall be subject to approval by the vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors who are not "interested persons" (as such term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act) of the Adviser, any sub-adviser, or of the Company (each, a "<u>Non-Interested Director</u>"), cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on such approval and, to the extent required by the 1940 Act, by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company and otherwise consistent with the terms of the 1940 Act. The Adviser and not the Company shall be responsible for any compensation payable to any Sub-Adviser; provided, however, that the Adviser shall have the right to direct the Company to pay directly to any Sub-Adviser the amounts due and payable to such Sub-Adviser from the fees and expenses payable to the Adviser under this Agreement.
- (e) The Adviser will maintain all books and records with respect to the Company's securities transactions required by sub-paragraphs (b)(5), (6), (9) and (10) and paragraph (f) of Rule 31a-1 under the 1940 Act (other than those records being maintained by the administrator to the Company (the "Administrator") under the administration agreement to be entered into by and between the Company and the Administrator concurrent herewith (the "Administration Agreement")), or by the Company's custodian or transfer agent) and preserve such records for the periods prescribed therefor by Rule 31a-2 of the 1940 Act. The Adviser shall have the right to retain copies, or originals where required by Rule 204-2 promulgated under the Advisers Act, of such records to the extent required by applicable law, subject to observance of its confidentiality obligations under this Agreement.
- (f) All investment professionals of the Adviser and its staff, when and to the extent engaged in providing investment advisory and management services hereunder, and the compensation and routine overhead expenses of such personnel allocable to such services, shall be provided and paid for by the Adviser and not by the Company. The Company shall bear all other costs and expenses of its operations and transactions, including, without limitation, those relating to:
  - (i). organizational and offering expenses;
  - (ii). fees and expenses incurred in valuing the Company's assets and computing its net asset value (including the cost and expenses of any independent valuation firm);
  - (iii). the fees and expenses incurred by the Company or payable to third parties, including lawyers, accountants, auditors, agents, consultants or other advisors, in connection with the Company's financial, accounting and legal affairs and in monitoring the Company's investments and performing due diligence on the Company's prospective portfolio companies or otherwise related to, or associated with, evaluating and making investments, including expenses related to unsuccessful portfolio acquisition efforts;
  - (iv). all fees, costs and expenses of money borrowed by the Company, including principal, interest and the costs associated with the establishment and maintenance of any credit facilities, other financing arrangements, or other indebtedness of the Company, if any (including commitment fees, accounting and legal fees, closing and other costs);
  - (v). offerings of the Company's common stock and other securities;

- (vi). investment advisory and management fees payable under Section 6 of this Agreement;
- (vii). administration fees;
- (viii). transfer agent and custody fees and expenses;
- (ix). federal and state registration fees:
- (x). all costs of registration and listing the Company's securities on any securities exchange;
- (xi). federal, state and local taxes;
- (xii). Non-Interested Directors' compensation, fees and expenses;
- (xiii). costs of preparing and filing reports or other documents required by the SEC or other regulators;
- (xiv). costs of any reports, proxy statements or other notices to stockholders, including printing costs;
- (xv). costs of holding stockholder meetings;
- (xvi). the Company's allocable portion of the fidelity bond, directors and officers/errors and omissions liability insurance, and any other insurance premiums, including independent director liability policies;
- (xvii). direct costs and expenses of administration and operation, including printing, mailing, long distance telephone, copying, secretarial and other staff, independent auditors and outside legal costs;
- (xviii). all third-party legal, expert and other fees, costs and expenses relating to any actions, proceedings, lawsuits, demands, causes of action and claims, whether actual or threatened, made by or against the Company, or which the Company is authorized or obligated to pay under applicable law or its governing agreements or by the Board of Directors;
- (xix). subject to Section 7 below, any judgment or settlement of pending or threatened proceedings (whether civil, criminal or otherwise) against the Company, or against any trustee, director, partner, member or officer of the Company in his capacity as such for which the Company is required to indemnify such trustee, director, partner, member or officer by any court or governmental agency, or settlement of pending or threatened proceedings;
- all travel and related expenses of directors, officers, managers, agents and employees of the Company and the Adviser, incurred in connection with attending meetings of the Board of Directors or holders of securities of the Company or performing other business activities that relate to the Company, including travel and related expenses incurred in connection with the purchase, consideration for purchase, financing, refinancing, sale or other disposition of any investment or potential investment of the Company; provided, however, that the Company shall only be responsible for (A) a proportionate share of such expenses, as determined by the Adviser in good faith, where such expenses were not incurred solely for the benefit of the Company, and (B) expenses incurred in accordance with the Company's travel expense reimbursement policies;
- (xxi). all expenses relating to payments of dividends or interest or distributions in cash or any other form made or caused to be made by the Board of Directors to or on account of holders of the securities of the Company, including in connection with any dividend reinvestment plan or direct stock purchase plan;
- (xxii). all fees, costs and expenses related to (A) the design and maintenance of the Company's web site or sites and (B) the Company's allocable share of costs associated with technology-related expenses, including any computer software or hardware, electronic equipment or purchased information technology services from third-party vendors or affiliates of the Adviser that is used

- for the Company, technology service providers and related software/hardware utilized in connection with the Company's investment and operational activities;
- (xxiii). all fees, costs and expenses incurred with respect to market information systems and publications, research publications and materials, and settlement, clearing and custodial fees and expenses; provided, however, that the Company shall only be responsible for a proportionate share of such expenses, as determined by the Adviser in good faith, where such expenses were not incurred solely for the benefit of the Company; and
- (xxiv). all other non-investment advisory expenses incurred by the Company or the Administrator in connection with administering the Company's business (including payments under the Administration Agreement based upon the Company's allocable portion of the Administrator's overhead in performing its obligations under the Administration Agreement, including rent and the allocable portion of the cost of the Company's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer and their respective staffs).
- (h) The Adviser shall give the Company the benefit of its professional judgment and effort in rendering services hereunder, but neither the Adviser nor any of its officers, directors, employees, agents or controlling persons shall be liable for any act or omission or for any loss sustained by the Company in connection with the matters to which this Agreement relates, provided, that the foregoing exculpation shall not apply to a loss resulting from fraud, willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties, or by reason of its reckless disregard of its obligations and duties under this Agreement; provided further, however, that the foregoing shall not constitute a waiver of any rights which the Company may have which may not be waived under applicable law.
- (i) The Adviser is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Company and at the direction of the Board of Directors pursuant to delegated authority, to possess, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise deal in, and exercise all rights, powers, privileges and other incidents of ownership or possession with respect to, the Company's investments and other property and funds held or owned by the Company, including voting and providing consents and waivers with respect to the Company's investments and exercising and enforcing rights with respect to any claims relating to the Company's investments and other property and funds, including with respect to litigation, bankruptcy or other reorganization.
- (j) The Adviser will place orders either directly with the issuer or with any broker or dealer in connection with making investments on the Company's behalf hereunder. Subject to the other provisions of this paragraph, in placing orders with brokers and dealers, the Adviser will attempt to obtain the best price and the most favorable execution of its orders. In placing orders, the Adviser will consider the experience and skill of the firm's securities traders as well as the firm's financial responsibility and administrative efficiency. Consistent with this obligation, the Adviser may select brokers on the basis of the research, statistical and pricing services they provide to the Company and other clients of the Adviser. Information and research received from such brokers will be in addition to, and not in lieu of, the services required to be performed by the Adviser hereunder. A commission paid to such brokers may be higher than that which another qualified broker would have charged for effecting the same transaction, provided that the Adviser determines in good faith that such commission is reasonable in terms either of the transaction or the overall responsibility of the Adviser to the Company and its other clients and that the total commissions paid by the Company will be reasonable in relation to the benefits to the Company over the long term, subject to review by the Board of Directors of the Company from time to time with respect to the extent and continuation of such practice to determine whether the Company benefits, directly or indirectly, from such practice.
  - (k) The Adviser will provide to the Board of Directors such periodic and special reports as it may reasonably request.

#### 3. Services Not Exclusive.

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the Adviser or any officer, employee or other affiliate thereof from acting as investment adviser for any other person, firm or corporation, whether or not the investment objectives or policies of any such other person, firm, or corporation are similar to those of the Company, or from engaging in any other lawful activity, and shall not in any way limit or restrict the Adviser or any of its officers, employees or agents

from buying, selling or trading any securities for its or their own accounts or for the accounts of others for whom it or they may be acting; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Adviser will not undertake, and will cause its employees not to undertake, activities which, in its reasonable judgment, will adversely affect the performance of the Adviser's obligations under this Agreement.

#### 4. Confidentiality.

The parties hereto agree that each shall treat confidentially all information provided by each party to the other regarding its business and operations. All confidential information provided by a party hereto, including all "nonpublic personal information," as defined under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 (Public law 106-102, 113 Stat. 1138), shall be used by the other party hereto solely for the purpose of rendering services pursuant to this Agreement and, except as may be required in carrying out this Agreement, shall not be disclosed to any third party, without the prior consent of such providing party, except that such confidential information may be disclosed to an affiliate or agent of the disclosing party to be used for the sole purpose of providing the services set forth herein. The foregoing shall not be applicable to any information that is publicly available when provided or thereafter becomes publicly available other than through a breach of this Agreement, or that is requested by or required to be disclosed to any governmental or regulatory authority, including in connection with any required regulatory filings or examinations, by judicial or administrative process or otherwise by applicable law or regulation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company hereby consents and authorizes the Adviser and its affiliates to use and disclose confidential information relating to the Company in connection with (a) the preparation of performance information relating to the Company and (b) in connection with any contemplated sale of the outstanding equity or assets of the Adviser, Administrator, or any person who may be deemed to "control" either of the Adviser or the Administrator, in each case within the meaning of the 1940 Act.

#### 5. Expenses.

During the term of this Agreement, the Adviser will bear all compensation expense (including health insurance, pension benefits, payroll taxes and other compensation related matters) of its employees and shall bear the costs of any salaries of any officers or directors of the Company who are affiliated persons (as defined in the 1940 Act) of the Adviser.

#### 6. Compensation of the Adviser.

The Adviser, for its services to the Company, will be entitled to receive a management fee (the 'Base Management Fee") and an incentive fee ("Incentive Fee") from the Company.

(a) The Base Management Fee will be calculated based on the Company's gross assets, including assets purchased with borrowed funds or other forms of leverage and excluding cash and cash equivalents, at an annual rate of 1.0% for the period commencing on the date of this Agreement through December 31, 2018; 1.125% for the period commencing on January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019; and 1.375% for all periods thereafter. The Base Management Fee is payable quarterly in arrears on a calendar quarter basis. The Base Management Fee will be calculated based on the average value of the Company's gross assets, excluding cash and cash equivalents, at the end of the two most recently completed calendar quarters prior to the quarter for which such fees are being calculated. Base Management Fees for any partial month or quarter will be appropriately pro-rated.

#### (b) The Incentive Fee will consist of two parts, as follows:

(i) For each quarter from and after the date hereof through December 31, 2019 (the <u>Pre-2020 Period</u>"), the first component of the Incentive Fee (the "<u>Income-Based Fee</u>") will be calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter for which such fees are being calculated and shall be payable promptly following the filing of the Company's financial statements for such quarter. In respect of the Pre-2020 Period, "<u>Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income</u>" means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees, such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence, managerial assistance and consulting fees or other fees that the Company receives from portfolio companies) accrued during the relevant calendar quarter, minus the Company's operating expenses for such quarter (including the Base Management Fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement, any

interest expense and any dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the Incentive Fee). Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with payment-in-kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation.

- (ii) For each quarter beginning on and after January 1, 2020 (the "Post-2019 Period"), the Income-Based Fee will be calculated and payable quarterly in arrears based on the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for the immediately preceding calendar quarter and the eleven preceding calendar quarters (or such fewer number of preceding calendar quarters counting each calendar quarter beginning on or after January 1, 2020) (each such period shall be referred to as the "Trailing Twelve Ouarters") for which such fees are being calculated and shall be payable promptly following the filing of the Company's financial statements for such quarter. In respect of the Post-2019 Period, "Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income" means interest income, dividend income and any other income (including any other fees, such as commitment, origination, structuring, diligence, managerial assistance and consulting fees or other fees that the Company receives from portfolio companies) accrued during the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters, minus the Company's operating expenses for such Trailing Twelve Quarters (including the Base Management Fee, expenses payable under the Administration Agreement, any interest expense and any dividends paid on any issued and outstanding preferred stock, but excluding the Incentive Fee) divided by the number of quarters that comprise the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income includes, in the case of investments with a deferred interest feature (such as original issue discount, debt instruments with payment-in-kind interest and zero coupon securities), accrued income not yet received in cash. Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income does not include any realized capital gains, realized capital losses or unrealized capital appreciation or depreciation.
- (iii) Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income, expressed as a rate of return on the value of the Company's net assets (defined as total assets less senior securities constituting indebtedness and preferred stock) at the end of the calendar quarter for which such fees are being calculated, will be compared to a "hurdle rate", expressed as a rate of return on the value of the Company's net assets at the end of the most recently completed calendar quarter, of 2% per quarter (8% annualized). The Company will pay the Adviser the Income-Based Fee with respect to the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income in each calendar quarter as follows:

1.

- a. With respect to the Pre-2020 Period, no Income-Based Fee for any calendar quarter in which the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(i)) does not exceed the hurdle rate:
- b. With respect to the Post-2019 Period, no Income-Based Fee for any calendar quarter in which the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(ii)) does not exceed the hurdle rate:

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- a. With respect to the Pre-2020 Period, 100% of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(i)) for any calendar quarter with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income for such quarter, if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 2.5% (10% annualized) (the "Pre-2020 Catch-Up Amount"). The Pre-2020 Catch-Up Amount is intended to provide the Adviser with an incentive fee of 20% on all of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(i)) when the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(i)) reaches 2% per quarter (8% annualized);
- b. With respect to the Post-2019 Period, 100% of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(ii)) with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(ii)), if any, that exceeds the hurdle rate but is less than 2.5% (10% annualized) (the "Post-2019 Catch-Up"

Amount"). The Post-2019 Catch-Up Amount is intended to provide the Adviser with an incentive fee of 20% on all of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b) (ii)) when the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(ii)) reaches 2% per quarter (8% annualized);

- c. With respect to the Pre-2020 Period, 20% of the amount of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(i)) for any calendar quarter with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(i)) for such quarter, if any, that exceeds the Pre-2020 Catch-Up Amount; and
- d. With respect to the Post-2019 Period, 20% of the amount of the Company's Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(ii)) for any calendar quarter with respect to that portion of the Pre-Incentive Fee Net Investment Income (as defined in Section 6(b)(ii)), if any, that exceeds the Post-2019 Catch-Up Amount.

provided that, with respect to the Post-2019 Period, the Income-Based Fee paid to the Adviser shall not be in excess of the Incentive Fee Cap. With respect to the Post-2019 Period, the Incentive Fee Cap for any quarter is an amount equal to (a) 20% of the Cumulative Net Return (as defined below) during the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters minus (b) the aggregate Income-Based Fee that was paid in respect of the first eleven calendar quarters (or the portion thereof) included in the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters.

"Cumulative Net Return" means (x) the aggregate net investment income in respect of the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters minus (y) any Net Capital Loss, if any, in respect of the relevant Trailing Twelve Quarters. If, in any quarter, the Incentive Fee Cap is zero or a negative value, the Company pays no Income-Based Fee to the Adviser for such quarter. If, in any quarter, the Incentive Fee Cap for such quarter is a positive value but is less than the Income-Based Fee that is payable to the Adviser for such quarter (before giving effect to the Incentive Fee Cap) calculated as described above, the Company pays an Income-Based Fee to the Adviser equal to the Incentive Fee Cap for such quarter. If, in any quarter, the Incentive Fee Cap for such quarter is equal to or greater than the Income-Based Fee that is payable to the Adviser for such quarter (before giving effect to the Incentive Fee Cap) calculated as described above, the Company pays an Income-Based Fee to the Adviser equal to the Income-Based Fee calculated as described above for such quarter without regard to the Incentive Fee Cap.

"Net Capital Loss" in respect of a particular period means the difference, if positive, between (i) aggregate capital losses, whether realized or unrealized, in such period and (ii) aggregate capital gains, whether realized or unrealized, in such period.

(iv) The second part of the Incentive Fee (the "<u>Capital Gains Fee</u>") will be determined and payable in arrears as of the end of each calendar year (or upon termination of this Agreement as set forth below), commencing with the calendar year ending on December 31, 2018, and is calculated at the end of each applicable year by subtracting (1) the sum of the Company's cumulative aggregate realized capital losses and aggregate unrealized capital depreciation from (2) the Company's cumulative aggregate realized capital gains, in each case calculated from August 2, 2018 (the "<u>Commencement Date</u>"). If such amount is positive at the end of such year, then the Capital Gains Fee payable for such year is equal to 20% of such amount, less the cumulative aggregate amount of Capital Gains Fees paid in all prior years. If such amount is negative, then there is no Capital Gains Fee payable for such year. If this Agreement is terminated as of a date that is not a calendar year end, the termination date shall be treated as though it were a calendar year end for purposes of calculating and paying a Capital Gains Fee.

For purposes of this Section 6(b)(iv):

The *cumulative aggregate realized capital gains* are calculated as the sum of the differences, if positive, between (a) the net sales price of each investment in the Company's portfolio when sold and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

The *cumulative aggregate realized capital losses* are calculated as the sum of the differences, if negative, between (a) the net sales price of each investment in the Company's portfolio when sold and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

The aggregate unrealized capital depreciation is calculated as the sum of the differences, if negative, between (a) the valuation of each investment in the Company's portfolio as of the applicable Capital Gains Fee calculation date and (b) the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment.

The accreted or amortized cost basis of an investment shall mean, with respect to an investment owned by the Company as of the Commencement Date, the fair value of such investment as of the Commencement Date as set forth on Schedule A hereto and, with respect to an investment acquired by the Company subsequent to the Commencement Date, the accreted or amortized cost basis of such investment as reflected in the Company's financial statements.

## 7. Indemnification.

The Adviser assumes no responsibility under this Agreement other than to render the services called for hereunder in good faith and shall not be responsible for any action of the Board of Directors in following or declining to follow any advice or recommendations of the Adviser. The Adviser (and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with the Adviser) shall not be liable to the Company for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Adviser in connection with the performance of any of its duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as an investment adviser of the Company (except to the extent specified in Section 36(b) of the 1940 Act concerning loss resulting from a breach of fiduciary duty (as the same is finally determined by judicial proceedings) with respect to the receipt of compensation for services), and the Company shall indemnify, defend and protect the Adviser (and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with the Adviser) (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") and hold them harmless from and against all damages, liabilities, costs, demands, charges, claims and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) incurred by the Indemnified Parties in or by reason of any pending, threatened or completed action, suit, investigation or other proceeding (including an action or suit by or in the right of the Company or its security holders) arising out of any actions or omissions or otherwise based upon the performance of any of the Adviser's duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as an investment adviser of the Company. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence of this Section 7 to the contrary, nothing contained herein shall protect or be deemed to protect the Indemnified Parties against or entitle or be deemed to entitle the Indemnified Parties to indemnification in respect of, any liability to the Company or its security holders to which the Indemnified Parties would otherwise be subject by reason of fraud, willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of the Adviser's duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of the Adviser's duties and obligations under this Agreement (as the same shall be determined in accordance with the 1940 Act and any interpretations or guidance by the SEC or its staff thereunder).

## 8. Duration and Termination.

- (a) This Agreement shall become effective as of the first date above written. This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, upon 60 days' written notice, (i) by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company, (ii) by the vote of the Company's Board of Directors, or (iii) by the Adviser. The provisions of Section 7 of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and the Adviser shall remain entitled to the benefits thereof, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement. Further, notwithstanding the termination or expiration of this Agreement as aforesaid, the Adviser shall be entitled to any amounts owed under Section 6 through the date of termination or expiration.
- (b) This Agreement shall continue in effect for two years from the date hereof and thereafter shall continue automatically for successive annual periods, provided that such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by (A) the vote of the Board of Directors, or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Company and (B) the vote of a majority of the Non-Interested Directors in accordance with the requirements of the 1940 Act.
- (c) This Agreement will automatically terminate in the event of its "assignment" (as such term is defined for purposes of Section 15(a)(4) of the 1940 Act).

# 9. Notices.

Any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing to the other party at such address as the other party may designate from time to time for the receipt of such notice and shall be deemed to be received on the earlier of the date actually received or on the fourth day after the postmark if such notice is mailed first class postage prepaid.

#### 10. Amendment of this Agreement.

This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent, but the consent of the Company must be obtained in conformity with the requirements of the 1940 Act.

# 11. Entire Agreement; Governing Law.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and arrangements with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the 1940 Act. In such case, to the extent the applicable laws of the State of New York, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the provisions of the 1940 Act, the latter shall control.

#### 12. Miscellaneous.

The captions in this Agreement are included for convenience of reference only and in no way define or delimit any of the provisions hereof or otherwise affect their construction or effect. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held or made invalid by a court decision, statute, rule or otherwise, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby. This Agreement shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors.

# 13. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts by the parties hereto, each of which shall constitute an original counterpart, and all of which, together, shall constitute one Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused the foregoing instrument to be executed by their duly authorized officers, all as of the day and the year first above written.

# TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION

a Maryland corporation

By: /s/ E. Ashton Poole Name: E. Ashton Poole

Chief Executive Officer and

Title: President

## **BARINGS LLC**

a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Eric Lloyd
Name: Eric Lloyd
Title: Managing Director

[Signature Page to Investment Advisory Agreement]

# Schedule A

Fair Value of Investments as of the Commencement Date

#### ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT

This ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of August 2, 2018 by and between Triangle Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), and Barings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Administrator").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company is a non-diversified, closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act");

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain the Administrator to provide administrative services to the Company in the manner and on the terms hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator is willing to provide administrative services to the Company on the terms and conditions hereafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants hereinafter contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Administrator hereby agree as follows:

## 1. Duties of the Administrator.

- (a) Employment of Administrator. The Company hereby employs the Administrator to act as administrator of the Company, and to furnish, or arrange for others to furnish, the administrative services, personnel and facilities described below, subject to review by and the overall control of the Company's board of directors (the "Board of Directors"), for the period and on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. The Administrator hereby accepts such employment and agrees during such period to render, or arrange for the rendering of, such services and to assume the obligations herein set forth subject to the reimbursement of costs and expenses as provided for below. The Administrator and any such other persons providing services arranged for by the Administrator shall for all purposes herein be deemed to be independent contractors and shall, unless otherwise expressly provided or authorized herein, have no authority to act for or represent the Company in any way or otherwise be deemed agents of the Company.
- (b) <u>Services</u>. The Administrator shall perform (or oversee, or arrange for, the performance of) the administrative services necessary for the operation of the Company. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrator shall provide the Company with office facilities, equipment, clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services at such office facilities and such other services as the Administrator, subject to review by the Board of Directors, shall from time to time determine to be necessary or useful to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The Administrator shall also, on behalf of the Company and subject to the Board of Directors' approval, arrange for the services of, and oversee, custodians, depositories, transfer agents, dividend disbursing agents, other stockholder servicing agents, accountants, attorneys, underwriters, brokers and dealers, corporate fiduciaries, insurers, banks and such other persons in any such other capacity deemed to be necessary or desirable. The Administrator shall make reports to the Board of Directors regarding its performance of the obligations hereunder and furnish advice and recommendations with respect to such other aspects of the business and affairs of the Company as it shall determine to be desirable; provided that nothing herein shall be construed to require the Administrator to, and the Administrator shall not, in its capacity as Administrator, provide any advice or recommendation relating to the securities and other assets that the Company should purchase, retain or sell or any other investment advisory services to the Company. The Administrator shall be responsible for the financial and other records that the Company is required to maintain and shall prepare all reports and other materials required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or any other regulatory authority, including, but not limited to, current reports on Form 8-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, annual reports on Form 10-K and proxy or information statements to stockholders. In addition, the Administrator will assist the Company in determining and publishing the Company's net asset value, overseeing the preparation and filing of the Company's tax returns, and the printing and dissemination of reports to stockholders of the Company, and generally

overseeing the payment of the Company's expenses and the performance of administrative and professional services rendered to the Company by others.

(c) <u>Sub-Administrators</u>. The Administrator may engage one or more administrators (each, a "<u>Sub-Administrator</u>") to act as sub-administrators to provide the Company certain administrative services set forth in Section 1(b) of this Agreement, all as shall be set forth in a written contract (each, a "<u>Sub-Administration Agreement</u>") to which the Administrator shall be a party.

## 2. Records.

The Administrator agrees to maintain and keep all books, accounts and other records of the Company that relate to activities performed by the Administrator hereunder and, if required by any applicable statutes, rules and regulations, including without limitation, the 1940 Act, will maintain and keep such books, accounts and records in accordance with such statutes, rules and regulations. In compliance with the requirements of Rule 31a-3 under the 1940 Act, the Administrator agrees that all records that it maintains for the Company shall at all times remain the property of the Company, shall be readily accessible during normal business hours, and shall be promptly surrendered upon the termination of this Agreement or otherwise on written request. The Administrator further agrees that all records which it maintains for the Company pursuant to Rule 31a-1 under the 1940 Act will be preserved for the periods prescribed by Rule 31a-2 under the 1940 Act unless any such records are earlier surrendered as provided above. Records shall be surrendered in usable machine-readable form. The Administrator shall have the right to retain copies of such records subject to observance of its confidentiality obligations under this Agreement.

# 3. Confidentiality.

The parties hereto agree that each shall treat confidentially all information provided by each party to the other regarding its business and operations. All confidential information provided by a party hereto, including all "nonpublic personal information," as defined under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 (Public law 106-102, 113 Stat. 1138), shall be used by the other party hereto solely for the purpose of rendering services pursuant to this Agreement and, except as may be required in carrying out this Agreement, shall not be disclosed to any third party, without the prior consent of such providing party, except that such confidential information may be disclosed to an affiliate or agent of the disclosing party to be used for the sole purpose of providing the services set forth herein. The foregoing shall not be applicable to any information that is publicly available when provided or thereafter becomes publicly available other than through a breach of this Agreement, or that is requested by or required to be disclosed to any governmental or regulatory authority, including in connection with any required regulatory filings or examinations, by judicial or administrative process or otherwise by applicable law or regulation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company hereby consents and authorizes the Administrator and its affiliates to use and disclose confidential information relating to the Company in connection with (a) the preparation of performance information relating to the Company and (b) in connection with any contemplated sale of the outstanding equity or assets of the Adviser (defined below), Administrator, or any person who may be deemed to "control" either of the Adviser or the Administrator, in each case within the meaning of the 1940 Act.

# 4. Compensation; Allocation of Costs and Expenses.

- (a) <u>Reimbursement</u>. In full consideration of the provision of the services of the Administrator, the Company shall reimburse the Administrator for the costs and expenses incurred by the Administrator in performing its obligations and providing personnel and facilities set forth in Section 1 herein. Specifically, the reimbursements made by the Company to the Administrator shall include, but not be limited to:
  - (i). the allocable portion of the Administrator's rent for the Company's Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Compliance Officer and their respective staffs, which will be based upon the allocable portion of the usage thereof by such personnel in connection with their performance of administrative services under this Agreement;
  - (ii). the allocable portion of the salaries, bonuses, benefits and expenses of the Company's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer and their respective staffs, which will be based

- upon the allocable portion of the time spent by such personnel in connection with performing administrative services for the Company under this Agreement;
- (iii). the actual cost of goods and services used for the Company and obtained by the Administrator from entities not affiliated with the Company, which will be reasonably allocated to the Company on the basis of assets, revenues, time records or other method conforming with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (iv). all fees, costs and expenses associated with the engagement of a Sub-Administrator;
- (v). costs associated with (a) the monitoring and preparation of regulatory reporting, including registration statement amendments, prospectus supplements, and tax reporting, (b) the coordination and oversight of service provider activities and the direct cost of such contractual matters related thereto and (c) the preparation of all financial statements and the coordination and oversight of audits, regulatory inquiries, certifications and sub-certifications.
- (b) <u>Allocation of Costs and Expenses</u>. The Company will bear all costs and expenses that are incurred in its operation and transactions and not specifically assumed by the Company's investment adviser, Barings LLC (the "<u>Adviser</u>"), pursuant to that certain Investment Advisory Agreement, dated as of August 2, 2018, by and between the Company and the Adviser (the "<u>Advisory Agreement</u>").

# 5. Limitation on Indemnification.

The Administrator, its affiliates and their respective directors, officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members, and any other person or entity affiliated with any of them shall not be liable to the Company for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Administrator in connection with the performance of any of its duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Company, and the Company shall indemnify, defend and protect the Administrator (and its officers, managers, partners, agents, employees, controlling persons, members, and any other person or entity affiliated with the Administrator (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties"), and hold them harmless from and against all damages, liabilities, costs, demands, charges, claims and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) incurred by the Indemnified Parties in or by reason of any pending, threatened or completed action, suit, investigation or other proceeding (including an action or suit by or in the right of the Company or its security holders) arising out of any actions or omissions or otherwise based upon the performance of any of the Administrator's duties or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Company. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence of this Section 5 to the contrary, nothing contained herein shall protect or be deemed to protect the Indemnified Parties against or entitle or be deemed to entitle the Indemnified Parties to indemnification in respect of, any liability to the Company or its security holders to which the Indemnified Parties would otherwise be subject by reason of fraud, willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of the Administrator's duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of the Administrator's duties and obligations under this Agreement (to the extent applicable, as the same shall be determined in accordance with the 1940 Act and any interpretations or guidance by the SEC or its staff thereunder).

# 6. Activities of the Administrator.

The services of the Administrator to the Company are not to be deemed to be exclusive, and the Administrator and each other person providing services as arranged by the Administrator is free to render services to others. It is understood that directors, officers, employees and stockholders of the Company are or may become interested in the Administrator and its affiliates, as directors, officers, members, managers, employees, partners, stockholders or otherwise, and that the Administrator and directors, officers, members, managers, employees, partners and stockholders of the Administrator and its affiliates are or may become similarly interested in the Company as officers, directors, stockholders or otherwise.

# 7. <u>Duration and Termination of this Agreement</u>.

(i). This Agreement shall continue in effect for two years from the date hereof and thereafter continue automatically for successive annual periods, but only so long as such continuance is specifically

- approved at least annually by (i) the Board of Directors of the Company and (ii) a majority of the Non-Interested Directors.
- (ii). This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, by vote of the Board of Directors, or by the Administrator, upon 60 days' written notice to the other party.
- (iii). This Agreement may not be assigned by a party without the consent of the other party. The provisions of Section 5 of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and the Administrator shall remain entitled to the benefits thereof, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement.

## 8. Amendments of this Agreement.

This Agreement may be amended pursuant to a written instrument by mutual consent of the parties hereto.

## 9. Entire Agreement; Governing Law.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and arrangements with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and the applicable provisions of the 1940 Act, if any. In such case, to the extent the applicable laws of the State of New York, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the provisions of the 1940 Act, the latter shall control.

#### 10. Notices.

All notices, requests, claims, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given or made (and shall be deemed to have been duly given or made upon receipt) by delivery in person, by overnight courier service (with signature required), by facsimile, or by registered or certified mail (postage prepaid, return receipt requested) to the respective parties at their respective principal executive office addresses.

## 11. Miscellaneous.

The captions in this Agreement are included for convenience of reference only and in no way define or delimit any of the provisions hereof or otherwise affect their construction or effect. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held or made invalid by a court decision, statute, rule or otherwise, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby. This Agreement shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors.

# 12. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts by the parties hereto, each of which shall constitute an original counterpart, and all of which, together, shall constitute one Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

# TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION, a

Maryland Corporation

By: /s/ E. Ashton Poole Name: E. Ashton Poole

Chief Executive Officer and

Title: President

**BARINGS LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Eric Lloyd Name: Eric Lloyd

Title: Managing Director

[Signature Page to Administration Agreement]

#### REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

**THIS REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT** (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made and entered into as of August 2, 2018, by and between Triangle Capital Corp., a Maryland corporation (the "<u>Company</u>") and Barings LLC ("<u>Buyer</u>").

**WHEREAS**, the Company and Buyer are party to that certain Stock Purchase and Transaction Agreement, dated April 3, 2018 (the "<u>Transaction Agreement</u>"), pursuant to which Buyer will become the investment adviser of the Company and acquire newly issued shares (the "<u>Shares</u>") of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share ("<u>Common Stock</u>") in a private placement transaction that is exempt from registration under Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D thereunder.

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreement, the Company has agreed to grant to Buyer certain rights with respect to the registration of the Shares on the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants of the parties hereto, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- (a) <u>Agreement</u> has the meaning set forth in the Introductory Paragraph of this Agreement.
- (b) Affiliate means, as to any specified Person, (i) any Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person, (ii) any executive officer, director, trustee, general partner, managing member or similar position of the specified Person or (iii) any legal entity for which the specified Person acts as an executive officer, director, trustee, general partner, managing member or similar position. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including the correlative meanings of the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as used with respect to any Person, means the possession, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether by contract, through the ownership of voting securities, partnership interests or other equity interests or otherwise.
- (c) <u>Business Day</u> means, with respect to any act to be performed hereunder, each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that is not a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or obligated by applicable law, regulation or executive order to close.
- (d) <u>Closing Date</u> means the date of this Agreement.
- (e) <u>Company</u> has the meaning set forth in the Introductory Paragraph of this Agreement.
- (f) <u>Commission</u> means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (g) <u>Common Stock</u> has the meaning set forth in the Recitals of this Agreement.
- (h) <u>Controlling Person</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 7(a)</u> of this Agreement.
- (i) <u>Effectiveness Deadline</u> means, with respect to the Initial Registration Statement or the New Registration Statement, the 60<sup>th</sup> calendar day following the Closing Date (or, in the event the Commission reviews and has written comments to the Initial Registration Statement or the New Registration Statement, the 90<sup>th</sup> calendar day following the Closing Date); <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if the Effectiveness Deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or other day that the Commission is closed for business, the Effectiveness Deadline shall be extended to the next Business Day on which the Commission is open for business.

- (j) <u>Effectiveness Period</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 2(b)</u> of this Agreement.
- (k) Exchange Act means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission pursuant thereto.
- (l) <u>Filing Deadline</u> means, with respect to the Initial Registration Statement required to be filed pursuant to <u>Section 2(a)</u>, the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) calendar day following the Closing Date; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the Filing Deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or other day that the Commission is closed for business, the Filing Deadline shall be extended to the next business day on which the Commission is open for business.
- (m) <u>FINRA</u> means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.
- (n) <u>Holder</u> means each Person that is a record owner of any Registrable Securities from time to time.
- (o) <u>Indemnified Party</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 7(c)</u> of this Agreement.
- (p) <u>Indemnifying Party</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 7(c)</u> of this Agreement.
- (q) <u>Initial Registration Statement</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 2(a)</u> of this Agreement.
- (r) <u>Liabilities</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 7(a)</u> of this Agreement.
- (s) New Registration Statement has the meaning set forth in Section 2(b) of this Agreement.
- (t) <u>Person</u> means an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, unincorporated organization, government or agency or political subdivision thereof, or any other legal entity.
- (u) <u>Prospectus</u> means the prospectus included in any Registration Statement, including any preliminary prospectus, and all other amendments and supplements to any such prospectus, including post-effective amendments, and all material incorporated by reference or deemed to be incorporated by reference, if any, in such prospectus.
- (v) <u>Purchaser Indemnitee</u> has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 7(a)</u> of this Agreement.
- (w) Registrable Securities means (i) the Shares and (ii) any securities issued or issuable upon any stock split, dividend or other distribution, recapitalization or similar event relating to the Shares; provided, however, that Registrable Securities shall not include any securities of the Company that have previously been registered and remain subject to a currently effective Registration Statement or which have been sold to the public either pursuant to a Registration Statement or Rule 144, or which may be sold immediately without registration under the Securities Act and without volume restrictions pursuant to Rule 144.
- (x) Registration Expenses means any and all expenses incident to the performance of or compliance with Sections 2, 3 and 6 of this Agreement, including, without limitation: (i) all Commission, securities exchange, FINRA filings, listing, inclusion and filing fees; (ii) any fees and expenses incurred in connection with compliance with federal or state securities or blue sky laws; (iii) all expenses of any Persons in preparing or assisting in preparing, word processing, duplicating, printing, delivering and distributing any Registration Statement, any Prospectus, any amendments or supplements thereto, any underwriting agreements, securities sales agreements, certificates and any other documents relating to the performance under and compliance with this Agreement; (iv) the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company and of the independent public accountants of the Company (including, without limitation, the expenses of any special audit and "cold comfort" letters required by or incident to such performance), and reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for selling Holders to review any Registration Statement; and (v) any fees and disbursements customarily paid in issues and sales of securities (including the fees and expenses of any experts retained by the Company in connection with any Registration Statement). For the avoidance of doubt, Registration Expenses shall exclude brokers' or underwriters' discounts and commissions and transfer taxes, if any, relating to the sale or disposition of Registrable Securities by a Holder and the fees and disbursements of any counsel to the Holders other than as provided for in subparagraph (iv) above.

- (y) <u>Registration Statement</u> means the Initial Registration Statement, the New Registration Statement or any other registration statement that covers the resale of any Registrable Securities, including the Prospectus, amendments and supplements to such registration statement or Prospectus, including pre- and post-effective amendments, all exhibits thereto and all material incorporated by reference or deemed to be incorporated by reference, if any, in such registration statement.
- (z) Rule 144 means Rule 144 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission as a replacement thereto having substantially the same effect as such rule.
- (aa) Rule 158 means Rule 158 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission as a replacement thereto having substantially the same effect as such rule.
- (ab) Rule 415 means Rule 415 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission as a replacement thereto having substantially the same effect as such rule.
- (ac) Rule 497 means Rule 497 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission as a replacement thereto having substantially the same effect as such rule.
- (ad) <u>Securities Act</u> means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission thereunder.
- (ae) <u>Shares</u> has the meaning set forth in the Recitals of this Agreement.
- (af) <u>Transaction Agreement</u> has the meaning set forth in the Recitals of this Agreement.
- (ag) <u>Underwritten Offering</u> means a sale of securities of the Company to an underwriter or underwriters for reoffering to the public.

## 2. Registration.

- (a) On or prior to the Filing Deadline, the Company shall prepare and file with the Commission a Registration Statement covering the resale of all of the Registrable Securities for an offering to be made on a continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 or, if Rule 415 is not available for offers and sales of the Registrable Securities, by such other means of distribution of Registrable Securities as Buyer may reasonably specify (the "Initial Registration Statement"). The Initial Registration Statement shall be on Form N-2 (except that if the Company is then ineligible to register for resale the Registrable Securities on Form N-2, in which case such registration shall be on such other form available to register for resale the Registrable Securities as a secondary offering) and shall contain (except if otherwise required pursuant to written comments received from the Commission upon a review of such Registration Statement) a "Plan of Distribution" section acceptable to Buyer.
- (i) Notwithstanding the registration obligations set forth in this Section 2, in the event the Commission informs the Company that all of the Registrable Securities cannot, as a result of the application of Rule 415, be registered for resale as a secondary offering on a single registration statement or that any Holder must be named as an underwriter in the Registration Statement, the Company agrees to promptly (x) inform each of the Holders thereof and use its commercially reasonable efforts to file amendments to the Initial Registration Statement as required by the Commission and/or (y) withdraw the Initial Registration Statement and file a new registration statement (a "New Registration Statement"), in either case covering the maximum number of Registrable Securities permitted to be registered by the Commission, on Form N-2 or such other form available to register for resale the Registrable Securities as a secondary offering. No Holder shall be named as an "underwriter" in any Registration Statement without such Holder's prior written consent.
- (b) The Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause each Registration Statement to be declared effective by the Commission as soon as practicable and, with respect to the Initial Registration Statement

or the New Registration Statement, as applicable, no later than the Effectiveness Deadline (including, with respect to the Initial Registration Statement or the New Registration Statement, as applicable, filing with the Commission a request for acceleration of effectiveness in accordance with Rule 461 promulgated under the Securities Act within five (5) Business Days after the date that the Company is notified (orally or in writing, whichever is earlier) by the Commission that such Registration Statement will not be "reviewed," or not be subject to further review and the effectiveness of such Registration Statement may be accelerated), and shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to keep each Registration Statement continuously effective under the Securities Act until all the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement have been sold, or may be sold without the requirement to be in compliance with Rule 144(c)(1) and otherwise without restriction or limitation pursuant to Rule 144 (the "Effectiveness Period"). The Company shall promptly notify the Holders via electronic mail of the effectiveness of a Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto on or before the first Business Day after the date that the Company telephonically confirms effectiveness with the Commission. The Company shall, by 9:30 a.m. New York City time on the fifth (5th) Business Day after the effective date of the Registration Statement, file a final Prospectus with the Commission, as required by Rule 497.

- (c) Each Holder agrees to furnish to the Company any information regarding such Holder as is required by the Company to enable the Company to prepare and file the Registration Statement. Any such requests from the Company shall be made at least five (5) Business Days prior to the first anticipated filing date of a Registration Statement for any registration under this Agreement. Each Holder further agrees that it shall not be entitled to be named as a selling security holder in the Registration Statement or use the Prospectus for offers and resales of Registrable Securities at any time, unless such Holder has responded to any requests from the Company for information as described in this Section 2(c). Each Holder acknowledges and agrees that any information provided by such Holder as described in this Section 2(c) will be used by the Company in the preparation of the Registration Statement and hereby consents to the inclusion of such information in the Registration Statement such Holder's Registrable Securities.
- 3. Piggyback Registrations. If, at any time when there are Registrable Securities then outstanding there is not an effective Registration Statement covering all of the Registrable Securities, the Company proposes to register under the Securities Act any of its securities, whether or not for sale for its own account, on a form and in a manner which would permit registration of the Registrable Securities held by a Holder for sale to the public under the Securities Act (including, but not limited to, registration statements relating to secondary offerings of securities of the Company but excluding any registration statements (i) on Form N-14 (or any successor or substantially similar form), (ii) otherwise relating to any corporate reorganization or other transactions covered by Rule 145 promulgated under the Securities Act, or (iii) on any registration form which does not permit secondary sales or does not include substantially the same information as would be required to be included in a registration statement covering the resale of the Registrable Securities), the Company shall give written notice of the proposed registration to each Holder not later than ten (10) calendar days prior to the filing thereof. Each Holder shall have the right to request that all or any part of its Registrable Securities be included in such registration. Each Holder can make such a request by giving written notice to the Company within five (5) calendar days after the receipt of such notice by the Holders; provided, however, that if the registration is an Underwritten Offering and the managing underwriters of such offering determine that the aggregate amount of securities of the Company which the Company and all Holders propose to include in such registration statement exceeds the maximum amount of securities that may be sold without having a material adverse effect on the success of the offering, including without limitation the selling price and other terms of such offering, the Company will include in such registration, first, the securities that the Company proposes to sell, second, the Registrable Securities of such Holders, pro rata among all such Holders on the basis of the relative percentage of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders who have requested that securities owned by them be so included (it being further agreed and understood, however, that such underwriters shall have the right to eliminate entirely the participation of the Holders), and third, the comparable securities of any additional holders of the Company's securities, pro rata among all such holders on the basis of the relative percentage of such securities held by each of them. Registrable Securities proposed to be registered and sold pursuant to an Underwritten Offering for the account of any Holder shall be sold to the prospective underwriters selected or approved by the Company and on the terms and subject to the conditions of one or more underwriting agreements negotiated between the Company and the prospective underwriters. Any Holder who holds

Registrable Securities being registered in any offering shall have the right to receive a copy of the form of underwriting agreement and shall have an opportunity to hold discussions with the lead underwriter of the terms of such underwriting agreement. The Company may withdraw any registration statement under this <u>Section 3</u> at any time before it becomes effective, or postpone or terminate the offering of securities, without obligation or liability to any Holder.

- 4. <u>Expenses</u>. The Company shall bear all Registration Expenses in connection with the registration of the Registrable Securities pursuant to <u>Sections 2</u> and <u>3</u> of this Agreement.
- 5. <u>Rules 144 and 144A Reporting</u>. With a view to making available the benefits of certain rules and regulations of the Commission that may permit the sale of the Registrable Securities to the public without registration, the Company shall, for so long as any Holder owns any Registrable Securities:
- (a) make and keep public information available, as those terms are understood and defined in Rule 144(c) under the Securities Act;
- (b) file with the Commission in a timely manner all reports and other documents required to be filed by the Company under the Exchange Act (at any time after it has become subject to such reporting requirements);
- (c) confirm to any Holder promptly upon request (i) that the Company has complied with the reporting requirements of Rule 144 (at any time after ninety (90) calendar days after the effective date of the Registration Statement), the Exchange Act (at any time after it has become subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act), and (ii) provide such other information as a Holder may reasonably request in availing itself of any rule or regulation of the Commission allowing a Holder to sell any such Registrable Securities without registration (provided that the Company shall not be required to provide any information that is publicly accessible to the Holder).
- 6. <u>Registration Procedures</u>. In connection with the obligations of the Company with respect to any registration pursuant to this Agreement, the Company shall:
- (a) prepare and file with the Commission a Registration Statement in accordance with <u>Section 2</u> or <u>3</u> of this Agreement, as applicable, which Registration Statement shall comply as to form with the requirements of the applicable form and include all financial statements required by the Commission to be filed therewith, in accordance with the timing requirements set forth in <u>Section 2</u> or <u>3</u>, as applicable;
- (b) prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to each Registration Statement and the Prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep such Registration Statement effective for the Effectiveness Period and to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all securities registered pursuant to such Registration Statement during the period in which such registration statement remains effective in accordance with the intended method or methods of distribution by the selling Holders;
- (c) furnish to the Holders as many copies of the Registration Statement and each Prospectus included in such Registration Statement (including any documents incorporated by reference therein, unless such documents are otherwise available through the Commission's EDGAR system), and any amendment or supplement thereto, in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act;
- (d) use its commercially reasonable efforts to register or qualify, or obtain exemption from registration or qualification for, such Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statement by the time the Registration Statement is declared effective by the Commission under all applicable state securities or "blue sky" laws of such domestic jurisdictions as any Holder with securities covered by a Registration Statement shall reasonably request in writing, keep each such registration or qualification or exemption effective during the Effectiveness Period and do any and all other acts and things that may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable such Holder to consummate the disposition in each such jurisdiction of such Registrable Securities owned by such Holder; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to (i) qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction or to register as a broker or dealer in connection therewith, (ii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction,

(iii) submit to the general service of process in any such jurisdiction or (iv) register as a foreign corporation in any such jurisdiction;

- (e) notify each Holder with securities covered by a Registration Statement promptly (i) when such Registration Statement has become effective and when any post-effective amendments and supplements thereto become effective, (ii) of the issuance by the Commission or any state securities authority of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Registration Statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose, (iii) of any request by the Commission or any other federal or state governmental authority for amendments or supplements to such Registration Statement or related Prospectus or for additional information and (iv) of the happening of any event during the period such Registration Statement is effective as a result of which such Registration Statement or the related Prospectus or any document incorporated by reference therein contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (which, in the case of the Prospectus, shall be determined in light of the circumstances in which such Prospectus is to be used) not misleading (which information shall be accompanied by an instruction to suspend the use of the Registration Statement and the Prospectus until the requisite changes have been made);
- (f) use its commercially reasonable efforts to avoid the issuance of, or if issued, to obtain the withdrawal of, any order enjoining or suspending the use or effectiveness of a Registration Statement or suspending of the qualification (or exemption from qualification) of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction, as promptly as practicable;
- (g) upon the occurrence of any event contemplated by Section 6(e)(4) of this Agreement, use its commercially reasonable efforts to promptly prepare a supplement or post-effective amendment to a Registration Statement or the related Prospectus or any document incorporated therein by reference or file any other required document so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of the Registrable Securities, such Prospectus will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (which, in the case of the Prospectus, shall be determined in light of the circumstances in which such Prospectus is to be used) not misleading, and, upon request, promptly furnish to each requesting Holder a reasonable number of copies of each such supplement or post-effective amendment;
- (h) enter into customary agreements and take all other action in connection therewith in order to expedite or facilitate the distribution of the Registrable Securities included in a Registration Statement;
- (i) in connection with an Underwritten Offering that includes Registrable Securities, use its reasonable best efforts to make available for inspection by representatives of the Holders of the Registrable Securities included in such Underwritten Offering and the representative of any underwriters participating in any disposition pursuant to a Registration Statement and any special counsel or accountants retained by such Holders or underwriters, all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company and cause the respective officers, directors and employees of the Company to supply all information reasonably requested by any such representatives, the representative of the underwriters, counsel thereto or accountants in connection with a Registration Statement;
- (j) use its commercially reasonable efforts to qualify for, and list or include all Registrable Securities on, a national securities exchange (including, without limitation, seeking to cure in the listing or inclusion application of the Company any deficiencies cited by the exchange or market) on which the Common Stock is then listed or authorized for quotation if such Registrable Securities are not already so listed or authorized for quotation;
  - (k) comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission;
- (l) in connection with any sale or transfer of the Registrable Securities (whether or not pursuant to a Registration Statement) that will result in the security being delivered no longer being Registrable Securities, cooperate with the Holders and the representative of the underwriters, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing the Registrable Securities to be sold and to enable such Registrable Securities to be in such denominations and registered in such names as the representative of the underwriters, if any, or the Holders may request.

The Company may require the Holders to furnish to the Company such information regarding the proposed distribution by such Holder as the Company may from time to time reasonably request in writing or as shall be required to effect the registration of the Registrable Securities and no Holder shall be entitled to be named as a selling securityholder in any Registration Statement and no Holder shall be entitled to use the Prospectus forming a part thereof if such Holder does not provide such information to the Company. Each Holder further agrees to furnish promptly to the Company in writing all information required from time to time to make the information previously furnished by such Holder not misleading.

Each Holder agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in Section 6(e)(iii) or 6(e)(iv) of this Agreement, such Holder will immediately discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to a Registration Statement until such Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended Prospectus. If so directed by the Company, such Holder will deliver to the Company all copies in its possession, other than permanent file copies then in such Holder's possession, of the Prospectus covering such Registrable Securities current at the time of receipt of such notice.

# 7. <u>Indemnification and Contribution.</u>

- The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless (i) each Holder, (ii) each Person, if any, who controls (a) (within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act) any of the foregoing (any of the Persons referred to in this clause (ii) being hereinafter referred to as a "Controlling Person"), and (iii) the respective officers, directors, partners, employees, representatives and agents of each Holder or any Controlling Person (any Person referred to in clause (i), (ii) or (iii) may hereinafter be referred to as a "Purchaser Indemnitee") from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, judgments, actions, reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, and other liabilities (the "Liabilities"), including, without limitation and as incurred, reimbursement of all reasonable costs of investigating, preparing, pursuing or defending any claim or action, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, including the reasonable fees and expenses of outside counsel to any Purchaser Indemnitee, joint or several, directly or indirectly related to, based upon, arising out of or in connection with any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Registration Statement or Prospectus (as amended or supplemented if the Company shall have furnished to such Purchaser Indemnitee any amendments or supplements thereto), or any preliminary Prospectus or any other document prepared by the Company used to sell the Registrable Securities, or any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, except insofar as such Liabilities arise out of or are based upon (i) any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information relating to any Purchaser Indemnitee furnished to the Company or any underwriter in writing by such Purchaser Indemnitee expressly for use therein, or (ii) any untrue statement contained in or omission from a preliminary Prospectus if a copy of the Prospectus (as then amended or supplemented, if the Company shall have furnished to or on behalf of the Holder participating in the distribution relating to the relevant Registration Statement any amendments or supplements thereto) was not sent or given by or on behalf of such Holder to the Person asserting any such Liabilities who purchased Registrable Securities, if such Prospectus (or Prospectus as amended or supplemented) is required by law to be sent or given at or prior to the written confirmation of the sale of such Registrable Securities to such Person and the untrue statement contained in or omission from such preliminary Prospectus was corrected in the Prospectus (or the Prospectus as amended or supplemented). The Company shall notify the Holders promptly of the institution, threat or assertion of any claim, proceeding (including, without limitation, any investigation) or litigation in connection with the matters addressed by this Agreement which involves the Company or a Purchaser Indemnitee of which it shall become aware. The indemnity provided for herein shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Purchaser Indemnitee.
- (b) In connection with any Registration Statement in which a Holder is participating, such Holder agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each Person who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act and the respective partners, directors, officers, members, representatives, employees and agents of such Person or Controlling Person to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to each Purchaser Indemnitee,

but only with reference to untrue statements or omissions or alleged untrue statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in strict conformity with written information relating to such Purchaser Indemnitee furnished to the Company in writing by such Purchaser Indemnitee expressly for use in any Registration Statement or Prospectus, any amendment or supplement thereto, or any preliminary Prospectus. The liability of any Purchaser Indemnitee pursuant to this paragraph shall in no event exceed the net proceeds received by such Purchaser Indemnitee from sales of Registrable Securities giving rise to such obligations. If the Holder elects to include Registrable Securities in an Underwritten Offering, the Holder shall be required to agree to such customary indemnification provisions as may reasonably be required by the underwriter in connection with such Underwritten Offering.

- If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against any Person in respect of which indemnity may be sought pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) above, such Person (the "Indemnified Party"), shall promptly notify the Person against whom such indemnity may be sought (the "Indemnifying Party"), in writing of the commencement thereof (but the failure to so notify an Indemnifying Party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have under this Section 7, except to the extent the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced by the failure to give notice), and the Indemnifying Party, upon request of the Indemnified Party, shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party to represent the Indemnified Party and any others the Indemnifying Party may reasonably designate in such proceeding and shall assume the defense of such proceeding and pay the reasonable fees and expenses actually incurred by such counsel related to such proceeding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in any such proceeding, any Indemnified Party shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Party, unless (i) the Indemnifying Party and the Indemnified Party shall have mutually agreed in writing to the contrary, (ii) the Indemnifying Party failed within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action to assume the defense and employ counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party, (iii) the Indemnifying Party and its counsel do not pursue in a reasonable manner the defense of such action or (iv) the named parties to any such action (including any impleaded parties), include both such Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, or any affiliate of the Indemnifying Party, and such Indemnified Party shall have been reasonably advised by counsel that, either (x) there may be one or more legal defenses available to it which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party or such affiliate of the Indemnifying Party or (y) a conflict may exist between such Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party or such affiliate of the Indemnifying Party, then the Indemnifying Party shall not have the right to assume nor direct the defense of such action on behalf of such Indemnified Party, it being understood, however, that the Indemnifying Party shall not, in connection with any one such action or separate but substantially similar or related actions arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one (1) separate firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel), for all such indemnified parties, which firm shall be designated in writing by those indemnified parties who sold a majority of the Registrable Securities sold by all such indemnified parties and any such separate firm for the Company, the directors, the officers and such control Persons of the Company as shall be designated in writing by the Company. The Indemnifying Party shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Party agrees to indemnify any Indemnified Party from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. No Indemnifying Party shall, without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Party is or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Party, unless such settlement includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding.
- (d) If the indemnification provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section 7 is for any reason held to be unavailable to an Indemnified Party in respect of any Liabilities referred to therein (other than by reason of the exceptions provided therein) or is insufficient to hold harmless a party indemnified thereunder, then each Indemnifying Party under such paragraphs, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Party thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Party as a result of such Liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits of the Indemnified Party on the one hand and the Indemnifying Parties on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such Liabilities, or

- (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Indemnifying Parties and the Indemnified Party, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and any Purchaser Indemnitees, on the other, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or by such Purchaser Indemnitees and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.
- The parties agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 7 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if such indemnified parties were treated as one entity for such purpose), or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in Section 7(d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Party as a result of any Liabilities referred to Section 7(d) shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any reasonable legal or other expenses actually incurred by such Indemnified Party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, in no event shall a Purchaser Indemnitee be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which proceeds received by such Purchaser Indemnitee from sales of Registrable Securities exceeds the amount of any damages that such Purchaser Indemnitee has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. For purposes of this Section 7, each Person, if any, who controls (within the meaning of Section 15 of the Act or Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act) a Holder shall have the same rights to contribution as such Holder, as the case may be, and each Person, if any, who controls (within the meaning of Section 15 of the Act or Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act) the Company, and each officer, director, partner, employee, representative, agent or manager of the Company shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company. Any party entitled to contribution will, promptly after receipt of notice of commencement of any action, suit or proceeding against such party in respect of which a claim for contribution may be made against another party or parties, notify each party or parties from whom contribution may be sought, but the omission to so notify such party or parties shall not relieve the party or parties from whom contribution may be sought from any obligation it or they may have under this Section 7 or otherwise, except to the extent that any party is materially prejudiced by the failure to give notice. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act), shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.
- (f) The indemnity and contribution agreements contained in this <u>Section 7</u> will be in addition to any liability which the indemnifying parties may otherwise have to the indemnified parties referred to above. The Purchaser Indemnitee's obligations to contribute pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u> are several in proportion to the respective number of Registrable Securities sold by each of the Purchaser Indemnitees hereunder and not joint. Any indemnification and contribution by the Company shall be subject to the requirements and limitations of Section 17(i) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

#### 8. Miscellaneous.

- (a) Remedies. In the event of a breach by the Company of any of its obligations under this Agreement, each Holder of Registrable Securities, in addition to being entitled to exercise all rights provided herein, or granted by law, including recovery of damages, will be entitled to specific performance of its rights under this Agreement. Subject to Section 7, the Company agrees that monetary damages would not be adequate compensation for any loss incurred by reason of a breach by it of any of the provisions of this Agreement and hereby further agrees that, in the event of any action for specific performance in respect of such breach, it shall waive the defense that a remedy at law would be adequate.
- (b) <u>Amendments and Waivers</u>. The provisions of this Agreement, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to or departures from the provisions of this Agreement may not be given, without the written consent of the Company and Buyer.

- (c) <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications, provided for or permitted hereunder shall be made in writing by delivered by facsimile (with receipt confirmed), overnight courier or registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or by telegram:
  - (i) if to the Company, at the offices of the Company at:

Triangle Capital Corp. Attention: E. Ashton Poole 3700 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 530 Raleigh, NC 27612 Email: apoole@tcap.com

With a copy to:

Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP

700 Sixth St., NW

Washington, DC 20001

Attention: Harry Pangas and Douglas Leary Email: harrypangas@eversheds-sutherland.com dougleary@eversheds-sutherland.com

(ii) if to Buyer (or any other Holder), at the offices of Buyer at:

Barings LLC

Attention: Eric Lloyd

300 S. Tryson Street, Suite 2500

Charlotte, NC 28202

Email: eric.lloyd@barings.com

With a copy to:

Dechert LLP

1095 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036

Attention: Carl DeBrito and Richard Goldberg Facsimilie: (212) 698-3599 and (212) 698-3599

Email: <a href="mailto:carl.debrito@dechert.com">carl.debrito@dechert.com</a> and <a href="mailto:richard.goldberg@dechert.com">richard.goldberg@dechert.com</a>

- (d) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of each of the parties hereto and shall inure to the benefit of each Holder, including, without limitation, any Person who purchases Registrable Securities from the foregoing.
- (e) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- (f) <u>Headings</u>. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning of this Agreement.

- (g) Governing Law. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, AS APPLIED TO CONTRACTS MADE AND PERFORMED WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAW. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF ANY STATE COURT IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK OR ANY FEDERAL COURT SITTING IN NEW YORK IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, AND IRREVOCABLY ACCEPTS FOR ITSELF AND IN RESPECT OF ITS PROPERTY, GENERALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY, THE JURISDICTION OF THE AFORESAID COURTS. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT IT MAY EFFECTIVELY DO SO UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF THE VENUE OF ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM.
- (h) <u>Severability</u>. If any term, provision, covenant or restriction of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions set forth herein shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated, and the parties hereto shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to find and employ an alternative means to achieve the same or substantially the same result as that contemplated by such term, provision, covenant or restriction. It is hereby stipulated and declared to be the intention of the parties hereto that they would have executed the remaining terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions without including any of such that may be hereafter declared invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable.
- (i) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement, together with the Transaction Agreement, is intended by the parties hereto as a final expression of their agreement, and is intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein and therein.
- (j) <u>Registrable Securities Held by the Company or its Affiliates</u> Whenever the consent or approval of Holders of a specified percentage of Registrable Securities is required hereunder, Registrable Securities held by the Company or its Affiliates shall not be counted in determining whether such consent or approval was given by the Holders of such required percentage.
- (k) <u>Survival</u>. This Agreement is intended to survive the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreement. The indemnification and contribution obligations under <u>Section 7</u> of this Agreement shall survive the termination of the obligations of the Company under this Agreement.
- (l) <u>Headings</u>. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the provisions of this Agreement. All references made in this Agreement to "Section" refer to such Section of this Agreement, unless expressly stated otherwise.
- (m) No Third Party Beneficiaries. Except as set forth in Section 8(d), it is the explicit intention of the parties hereto that no person or entity other than the parties hereto is or shall be entitled to bring any action to enforce any provision of this Agreement against any of the parties hereto, other than a person entitled to indemnity under Section 7 of this Agreement, and the covenants, undertakings and agreements set forth in this Agreement shall be solely for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable only by, the parties hereto or their respective successors, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and permitted assigns and, to the extent applicable, any person entitled to indemnity under Section 7 of this Agreement.

[Signature page follows]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

# TRIANGLE CAPITAL CORPORATION,

By: /s/ E. Ashton Poole Name: E. Ashton Poole

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

# **BARINGS LLC**,

By: /s/ Eric Lloyd Name: Eric Lloyd

Title: Managing Director



# BARINGS BDC, INC. ANNOUNCES STOCKHOLDER PAYMENT RECORD DATE, PAYMENT DATE AND PAYMENT AMOUNT PER SHARE IN CONNECTION WITH EXTERNALIZATION TRANSACTION CLOSING

**CHARLOTTE, N.C.** (August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018) - Barings BDC, Inc. ("Barings BDC" or the "Company") (NYSE: BBDC) (f/k/a Triangle Capital Corporation) today announced the closing of the previously announced externalization transaction (the "Externalization Closing") with Barings LLC (the "Adviser").

As a result of the Externalization Closing, and as required by New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") rules, August 2, 2018 has been set as the record date (the "Record Date") for the \$85.0 million cash payment by the Adviser to the Company's stockholders (the "Stockholder Payment"). The payment date for the Stockholder Payment will be August 3, 2018 (the "Payment Date"), on which the Adviser will pay a \$1.7836119 cash payment per share of the Company's common stock directly to the holders of record of the Company's common stock (other than the Adviser) as of the Record Date.

Because the Stockholder Payment was subject to closing conditions, as required by NYSE rules, the Company's common stock will trade with "due bills" representing an assignment of the right to receive the Stockholder Payment through the Payment Date and will not trade ex-payment until the first business day after the Payment Date. Stockholders who sell their shares of the Company's common stock on or before the Payment Date will not be entitled to receive the Stockholder Payment. Thus, it is important to remember that the day on which stockholders can sell their shares without being obligated to deliver the Stockholder Payment to the buyer of such shares is the first business day after the Payment Date.

Due bills obligate a seller of shares of stock to deliver the payment payable on such shares to the buyer. The due-bill obligations are settled customarily between the brokers representing the buyers and sellers of the stock. The Company has no obligation for either the amount of the due bill or the processing of the due bill. Buyers and sellers of the Company's common stock should consult their broker before trading in the Company's common stock to be sure they understand the effect of the NYSE's due-bill procedures.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements: This communication contains "forward-looking" statements. Forward-looking statements concern future circumstances and results and other statements that are not historical facts and are sometimes identified by the words "may," "will," "should," "potential," "intend," "expect," "endeavor," "seek," "anticipate," "estimate," "overestimate," "underestimate," "believe," "could," "project," "predict," "continue," "target" or other similar words or expressions. Forward-looking statements are based upon current plans, estimates and expectations that are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove to be incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those indicated or anticipated by such forward-looking statements. The inclusion of such statements should not be regarded as a representation that such plans, estimates or expectations will be achieved. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from such plans, estimates or expectations include those risk factors detailed in the Company's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on June 1, 2018 and in the Company's reports filed with the SEC, including the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, periodic quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and other documents filed with the SEC.

Any forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this communication. The Company does not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information or developments, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any of these forward-looking statements.

#### About Barings BDC, Inc.

Barings BDC, Inc. (NYSE: BBDC) is a publicly traded, externally managed investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Barings BDC, Inc. seeks to invest primarily in senior secured loans to private U.S. middle market companies that operate across a wide range of industries. BBDC's investment activities are managed by its investment adviser, Barings LLC, a leading global asset manager based in Charlotte, NC with over \$306 billion of AUM firm-wide. For more information, visit www.baringsbdc.com.

# **About Barings LLC**

Barings is a \$306+ billion\* global financial services firm dedicated to meeting the evolving investment and capital needs of their clients. Barings builds lasting partnerships that leverage their distinctive expertise across traditional and alternative asset classes to deliver innovative solutions and exceptional service. Part of MassMutual, Barings maintains a strong global presence with over 1,800 professionals and offices in 16 countries. Learn more at www.barings.com.

\*As of June 30, 2018

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