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FORM N-CSR

CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-06111

<u>The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc.</u> (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

<u>Mr. Arnulfo Rodriguez</u> <u>c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC</u> <u>615 E. Michigan Street</u> <u>Milwaukee, WI 53202</u> (Name and address of agent for service)

(877) 785-0376

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Date of fiscal year end: July 31, 2018

Date of reporting period: July 31, 2018

Item 1. Reports to Stockholders.

The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc.

Annual Report

July 31, 2018

The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc. Report of Pichardo Asset Management ("PAM"), The Investment Adviser.

Dear Fund Stockholders,

At the publishing of this letter, the U.S. labor market has continued to strengthen economic activity with gradual expected increases within the Fed's target range of 2.00% to 2.25%.

In Europe, the British and EU institutions are spending time on BREXIT negotiations while China and Canada got into trade tensions with the U.S.

In the EM region, there has been a perception of serious economic problems in countries like Argentina, Turkey, Brazil, and China. In this regard, the Mexican Peso has stood apart (Please see Exhibit 1), likely due to the following factors:

- i) The presidential election in July was an achievement for democracy,
- President Enrique Peña, the outgoing federal administration and Andres Lopez Obrador (AMLO), the elected
 President have reached essential agreements towards a smooth government transition,

AMLO has confirmed he will honor oil and gas contracts awarded under the energy reform, and his staff has iii) reiterated the elected government's commitment to maintaining healthy public finances; and an independent Central Bank.

Moreover,

iv) Mexico and the U.S. reached a commercial understanding that reduces one of the primary sources of uncertainty in the foreign exchange market since 2016. (Please see Exhibit 2).

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Exhibit 1. EM Currencies (100 Base Index from December 31, 2017 to September 11, 2018)

Source: Bloomberg.

Exhibit 2: MXN/USD Spot Exchange Rate As of August 31, 2018

Source: BANXICO, Bloomberg. 2

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One of the risks for the Mexican economy relates to the pace of the Fed's normalization to its neutral level that is likely to set at 3.25% by the end of 2019. In this context, Mexico Central Bank's "BANXICO", reference rate stands at 8.00% with a spread of 475 basis points. (Please see Exhibit 3).

Exhibit 3: Mexico & U.S. Overnight Rates

Source: Bloomberg.

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Exhibit 4: Mexico Credit Default Swap (CDS) vs. LATAM Peers Ten-Year Period as of July 31, 2018

Source: Bloomberg.

The Mexican gross domestic product ("GDP") showed an annual growth rate of 2.5% in the first quarter of this year and an unexpected 1.5% contraction during the second quarter. Mining and construction industries slowed down, and manufacturing came to a halt. Services, mainly commerce, continue to be the main engine of the economy with year-on-year growth rates above 3%. In particular investment lost momentum as compared to the incipient recovery displayed at the end of 2017 and early 2018. In contrast, private consumption maintained a positive trend, supported by the performance of the real wage bill and workers' remittances, according to BANXICO. Manufacturing exports showed a degree of weakness at the second quarterly report. (Source: Banxico).

(Please see full economic report at the Fund's web page dated September 2018).

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MXE'S PERFORMANCE AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY Fund's Excess Return with Lower Turnover

The Fund's U.S. net asset value ("NAV") per share registered a -2.46% decrease for the one year period ended July 31, 2018, compared to 11.28% gain for one year period ended July 31, 2017 and a 2.13% increase in local currency. For the seven month period ended July 31, 2018, the NAV increased 12.50% in U.S. Dollars. (Source: U.S. Bancorp, Bloomberg).

PAM's team has provided the Fund's stockholders a 297 basis point excess return compared to that of the MSCI-Mexico Index for the Fund's fiscal year ended July 31, 2018 and 680 excess basis points for the seven month period. (See Exhibit 5). The Fund's turnover has also decreased. (See Exhibit 6). (Source: U.S. Bancorp, Bloomberg).

Exhibit 5: The MXE's Net U.S. Dollar Asset Value per Share Return with Dividends Reinvested

Source: U.S. Bancorp¹; Thomson²; PAM³; MSCI⁴, Bloomberg.

Performance data represents past performance; past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance data to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, (414) 765-4255, or by consulting the Fund's web page: www.mxefund.com.

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Exhibit 6: MXE's Turnover Ratio & Spread Performance vs. MSCI-Mexico Index. Ten Years to the Fund's Fiscal Year Ended July 31, 2018

Source: U.S. Bancorp, Bloomberg.

The Fund's common share market price decreased -3.60% for the one year period ended July 31, 2018, registering a discount of -14.41% to the Fund's NAV of U.S. \$13.32, compared to a discount of -13.35% at July 31, 2017. For the seven month period the Fund's common share market price increased 11.11% in U.S. Dollars. (Source: U.S. Bancorp). (See Exhibit 7).

Exhibit 7: MXE's NAV Discount (07/31/2017 – 7/31/2018)

Source: Bloomberg. 6

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MXE INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Searching for Investment Themes at Attractive Valuations, always supported by our in-depth fundamental analysis.

The Fund continues to adhere to our high-quality growth stocks investment philosophy, including "special situations" investment themes, as categorized by PAM (oversold, misunderstood stocks by the market). At the time of this writing, the Fund has increased stocks with visible growth drivers in the materials sector, mainly chemicals with geographically diversified EBITDA contribution, local toll road concessions with an estimated 8% free cash flow yield in 2019, and copper related stock misunderstood by the market. Also, the Fund has reduced risky assets mainly related to interest rate raising cycle.

At July 31, 2018, the portfolio construction registered 97% weight in equities (with no single one position higher than 10%), with 2% in private investment and 1% approximately in U.S. Dollar denominated daily liquid mutual funds. (Source: PAM). High-quality growth and "special situation" stocks had a weight of 88% and 9%, respectively. PAM categorizes quality growth stocks into three investment themes: i) 77%, high profitability, ii) 14%, investment yield and iii) 9%, energy-related stocks. (See Exhibit 8). (Source: PAM).

Exhibit 8: Investment Themes (%) As of July 31, 2018

Source: PAM.

MXE's De-Indexed Strategy

Bottom-up Approach Availing a Favorable Tax Treatment (With respect of any one issuer, represent an amount not greater in than 5% of the value of the fund's total assets).

The Fund's portfolio is constructed with approximately 28 issuers. At July 31, 2018, small caps stocks (US\$ 0.5bn to US\$ 1bn) accounted for about 9%, medium capitalization stocks (US\$ 1bn to US\$ 5bn) for 22% and large caps (US\$ 5bn - up) for 66%. (Source: PAM; Bloomberg).

The top ten stocks comprised 61% of total assets as of July 31, 2018. (Source PAM).

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Exhibit 9: Sectors Overweight / Underweight vs. the MSCI Mexico Index in basis points as of July 31, 2018

Decision-making process tactically taking advantage of the market's misconceptions albeit a lower turnover. Overseen by the Investment Committee and Investment Process. Fundamental in-depth Analysis.

Source: PAM, Bloomberg.

Exhibit 10: MXE's Absolute Contribution by Sectors. One Year to July 31, 2018.

Source: PAM, Bloomberg.

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Exhibit 11: MXE's Attribution by Sectors Relative to the MSCI Mexico Index. One Year to July 31, 2018.

Source: PAM, Bloomberg.

FINAL REMARKS

According to BANXICO, the balance of risks to the economic growth of Mexico is biased to the downside, likely due to i) the escalation of protectionist measures affects global growth and trade negatively, ii) observed bouts of volatility in international financial markets, and iii) the environment of uncertainty has been changing investment.

We are cautiously optimistic about Mexico's economy and sound fundamentals in the long-term; justifying the excellent performance of the Mexican Peso in the forex market with 4.65% appreciation against the U.S. Dollar, year-to-date through September 27, 2018, according to Bloomberg.

Some of the so-called emerging markets that were "rising stars" in the 2000 decade are now "falling in flames" due to different causes such as:

- i) Poor and irresponsible management of public finances as observed in Brazil and Argentina,
- ii) Geopolitical tensions and local political disorder such as in Turkey or Brazil,
- iii) The adverse consequences of protectionist measures in the growth of commerce and commodities as observed in China or South Africa.

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In remarkable contrast, Mexico's change of political regime is being conducted in an orderly, coordinated, and transparent manner with the goal of avoiding any disruption in the economy. This political behavior would be the third change of political regime in the last 18 years without any economic or political crisis. So far Mexico seems to be more than a stable economy, but also a mature democracy.

Yours sincerely,

Eugenia Pichardo Portfolio Manager

The Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other important information about the investment company, and it may be obtained by calling U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, (414) 765-4255 or visiting www.themexicoequityandincomefund.com. Read it carefully before investing.

All investments involve risk. Principal loss is possible. Investing internationally involves additional risks such as currency fluctuations, currency devaluations, price volatility, social and economic instability, differing securities regulations and accounting standards, limited publicly available information, changes in taxation, periods of illiquidity and other factors. These risks are greater in the emerging markets. Stocks of small-and-mid-capitalization companies involve greater volatility and less liquidity than larger-capitalization companies.

Investing in Foreign Securities

Investment in Mexican securities involves special considerations and risks that are not normally associated with investments in U.S. securities, including (1) relatively higher price volatility, lower liquidity and the small market capitalization of Mexican securities markets; (2) currency fluctuations and the cost of converting Mexican pesos into U.S. dollars; (3) restrictions on foreign investment; (4) political, economic and social risks and uncertainties (5) higher rates of inflation and interest rates than in the United States.

Diversification does not assure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market.

The Portfolio Securities are denominated in pesos. As a result, the Portfolio Securities must increase in market value at a rate in excess of the rate of any decline in the value of the peso against the U.S. dollar in order to avoid a decline in their equivalent U.S. dollar value.

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The Fund's holdings and sector allocations are subject to change at any time and should not be considered recommendations to buy or sell any security. Please refer to the Schedule of Investments in this report for a complete list of fund holdings. Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.

The Fund may have a higher turnover rate, which could result in higher transaction costs and higher tax liability, which may affect returns.

Earnings growth is not a measure of the Fund's future performance.

Definitions

BANXICO: Banco de Mexico is the central bank of Mexico. By constitutional mandate, it is autonomous in both its •operations and management. Its main function is to provide domestic currency to the Mexican economy and its main priority is to ensure the stability of the domestic currency's purchasing power.

MEXBOL, or the IPC (Indice de Precios y Cotizaciones), is a capitalization-weighted in¬dex of the leading stocks traded on the Mexican Stock Exchange. The index was developed with a base level of 0.78 on October 30th, 1978.

MSCI-MEXICO: The Morgan Stanley Capital International Index Mexico is a capitalization weighted index that monitors the performance of stocks traded in Mexico. One cannot invest directly in an index.

•Basis point (bps) is one hundredth of a percentage point (0.01%).

The net asset value per share ("NAV") is calculated as the total market value of all the securities and other assets held •by a fund minus total liabilities divided by the total number of common shares outstanding. The NAV of an investment company will fluctuate due to changes in the market prices of the underlying securities.

The market price of the common share of a closed-end fund is determined in the open market by buyers and sellers and is the price at which investors may purchase or sell the common shares of a closed-end fund, which fluctuates •throughout the day. The common share market price may differ from the Fund's Net Asset Value; shares of a closed-end fund may trade at a premium to (higher than) or a discount to (lower than) NAV. The difference between the market price and NAV is expressed as a percentage that is either a discount or a premium to NAV.

•References to other funds should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell any security.

•INEGI: The National Institute of Statistics and Geography.

GDP: Gross Domestic Product proxy. The monetary value of all the finished goods and services produced within a country's borders in a specific time period, though GDP is usually calculated on an annual basis. It includes all of private and public consumption, government outlays, investments and exports less imports that occur within a defined territory.

CDS: Credit Default Swap is a particular type of swap designed to transfer the credit exposure of fixed income products between two or more parties.

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EBITDA: EBITDA is a popular valuation multiple used in the finance industry to measure the value of a company. •It is the most widely used valuation multiple based on enterprise value and is often used in conjunction with, or as an alternative to, the P/E ratio(Price/Earnings ratio) to determine the fair market value of a company.

Average forex depreciation: The average currency depreciation is the loss of value of a country's currency with •respect to one or more foreign reference currencies, typically in a floating exchange rate system in which no official currency value is maintained.

The information provided herein represents the opinion of Pichardo Asset Management not the Fund's Board of Directors' and is not intended to be a forecast of future events, a guarantee of future results, or investment advice.

RELEVANT ECONOMIC INFORMATION for the years ended December 31

<u>Real Activity (million US\$)</u> Real GDP growth (y-o-y)	<u>2017</u> 2.00	0%	<u>2016</u> 2.36	0%	<u>2015</u> 2.46	0%	<u>2014</u> 2.25	0%	<u>2013</u> 1.36	%
Industrial Production (y-o-y)	0.10		0.00		0.95		2.65		-0.50	%
Trade Balance (US billion)	-\$10.80		-\$13.14		-\$14.60		-\$3.06		-\$1.20	
Exports (US billion)	\$409.49)	\$373.93	3	\$380.62		\$396.91		\$380.02	2
Exports (y-o-y)	9.50	%	-1.80		-4.12		4.40	%	2.49	%
Imports (US billion)	\$420.37	7	\$387.06	5	\$395.23		\$399.98)	\$381.21	-
Imports (y-o-y)	8.60	%	-2.10	%	-1.20	%	4.90	%	2.80	%
Financial Variables and Prices										
28-Day CETES (T-bills)/Average	6.69	%	4.16	%	2.98	%	2.99	%	3.70	%
Exchange rate (Pesos/US\$)Average	18.91		18.68		15.88		13.31		12.77	
Inflation IPC, 12 month trailing	6.77	%	3.36	%	2.13	%	4.08	%	3.97	%
Mexbol Index			<i>i</i>			~ /		~ /		
USD Return	15.44	,.	-9.74		-13.15			, -	-1.33	%
Market Cap (US billion)	\$298.87	7	\$252.77	7	\$279.00)	\$326.32		\$356.02	2
EV/EBITDA	9.27	х	9.57	х	9.93	Х	9.92	Х	9.91	Х
Fund's NAV & Common Share										
Market Price Performance						~ /		~ /		
NAV's per share	11.82	,.	-14.88	,.	-6.90	,.	-3.45		15.85	%
Share Price	12.40	%	-14.78	%	-10.23	%	-4.57	%	19.24	%

Sources: Banamex, Banco de Mexico, Bloomberg, INEGI

July 31, 2018 Allocation of Portfolio Assets (Unaudited) (Calculated as a percentage of Total Investments)

July 31, 2018 Schedule of Investments

MEXICO – 99.79%	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS – 97.50%		
Airports – 2.76% Grupo Aeroportuario del Centro Norte, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series B Grupo Aeroportuario del Pacifico, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series B Auto Parts and Equipment – 1.82%	240,754 114,500	\$1,464,462 1,081,984 2,546,446
Rassini, S.A.B. de C.V.	449,998	1,677,314
Beverages – 12.94% Arca Continental, S.A.B. de C.V. Coca-Cola Femsa, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series L Fomento Economico Mexicano, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series UBD	600,116 151,000 715,315	3,983,654 945,485 7,017,381 11,946,520
Building Materials – 8.31% Cemex, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series CPO (a) Grupo Cementos de Chihuahua, S.A.B. de C.V.	5,673,229 530,734	4,228,040 3,446,485 7,674,525
Chemical Products – 8.13% Alpek, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series A Mexichem, S.A.B. de C.V.	1,147,000 1,589,425	1,941,027 5,564,512 7,505,539
Construction and Infrastructure – 6.30% Promotora y Operadora de Infraestructura, S.A.B. de C.V. Promotora y Operadora de Infraestructura, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series L	412,434 203,045	4,271,995 1,546,989 5,818,984
Consumer Financing Services – 2.03% Credito Real, S.A.B. de C.V.	1,327,030	1,871,879
Energy – 7.86% Infraestructura Energetica Nova, S.A.B. de C.V.	1,485,003	7,255,402
Financial Groups – 14.84% Banco del Bajio, S.A. Grupo Financiero Banorte, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series O	1,419,568 1,200,488	3,353,601 8,370,937

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Schedule of Investments (continued)

COMMON STOCKS (continued)	Shares	Value
Financial Groups (continued) Regional, S.A.B. de C.V.	325,733	\$1,980,500
Food – 4.07%		13,705,038
Gruma, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series B	209,314	2,709,281
Grupo Bimbo, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series A	493,599	1,050,349 3,759,630
Hotels, Restaurants, and Recreation – 3.49%		
Alsea, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series A Gruppa S.A.B. de C.V. – Series P. $(a)(b)(a)(d)$	627,000 429,817	2,162,806 1,065,217
Grupe, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series B $(a)(b)(c)(d)$	429,017	3,228,023
Mining – 5.61%		
Grupo Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series B	1,170,572	3,680,461
Industrias Penoles, S.A.B. de C.V.	88,383	1,498,567
Railroads – 2.25%		5,179,028
GMexico Transportes S.A.B. de C.V.	1,219,932	2,081,466
Real Estate Services – 3.74%		
Corporacion Inmobiliaria Vesta, S.A.B. de C.V.	2,183,226	3,459,144
Retail – 3.67%		
El Puerto de Liverpool, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series C – 1	279,534	2,074,411
Wal-Mart de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V.	451,792	1,319,421
Telecommunication – 9.68%		3,393,832
America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. – Series L	10,428,694	8,935,963
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$79,536,922)		90,038,733
CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES – 1.84%		
Atlas Discovery Trust II (b)(c)(d)	300,000	1,695,905
TOTAL CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES (Cost \$1,460,703)		1,695,905

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July 31, 2018 Schedule of Investments (concluded)

MEXICAN MUTUAL FUNDS – 0.45% Scotiabankinverlat – Scotia Gubernamental S.A. de C.V. SIID (a) TOTAL MEXICAN MUTUAL FUNDS (Cost \$418,568) TOTAL MEXICO (Cost \$81,416,193)	Shares 2,284,407	Value \$418,996 418,996 92,153,634
UNITED STATES – 0.40%		
INVESTMENT COMPANIES – 0.40%		
Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds –		
Government Portfolio – Institutional Class – 1.808% (e)	368,901	368,901
TOTAL INVESTMENT COMPANIES (Cost \$368,901)		368,901
TOTAL UNITED STATES (Cost \$368,901)		368,901
Total Investments (Cost \$81,785,094) – 100.19%		92,522,535
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets $-(0.19)\%$		(178,976)
TOTAL NET ASSETS – 100.00%		\$92,343,559

Percentages are stated as a percent of net assets.

(a) Non-income producing security.

(b) Fair valued securities. The total market value of these securities were \$2,761,122, representing 2.99% of net assets.
(c) Illiquid securities. The total market value of these securities were \$2,761,122, representing 2.99% of net assets.
(d) Level 3 securities. Values determined using significant unobservable inputs.
(e) The rate shown represents the 7-day yield at July 31, 2018.

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities

ASSETS:	
Investments, at value (cost \$81,785,094)	\$92,522,535
Receivable for investments sold	595,371
Interest receivable	787
Foreign currency (cost \$208)	209
Other assets	5,915
Total Assets	93,124,817
LIABILITIES:	
Payable for securities purchased	596,340
Advisory fees payable	81,699
Audit fees payable	34,205
Administration fees payable	17,764
NYSE fees payable	10,848
Printing and mailing fees payable	9,741
Custody fees payable	8,856
Fund accounting fees payable	7,835
CCO fees payable	4,816
Director fees payable	3,733
Transfer Agent fees and expenses payable	2,762
Legal fees payable	2,190
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	469
Total Liabilities	781,258
Net Assets	\$92,343,559
Net Asset Value Per Common Share (\$92,343,559 / 6,933,828)	\$13.32
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 6,933,828 shares outstanding (98,144,872 shares authorized)	6,934
Paid-in capital	91,985,471
Accumulated undistributed net investment income	111
Accumulated net realized loss on investments and foreign currency	(10,386,339)
Net unrealized appreciation on investments and foreign currency	10,737,382
Net Assets	\$92,343,559

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

For the Year Ended

Statement of Operations July 31, 2018

Dividends ⁽¹⁾ \$1,725,827Interest163,380Total Investment Income1,889,207EXPENSESAdvisory fees (Note B)869,770Directors' fees and expenses (Note B)208,703Administration fees (Note B)208,703Administration fees (Note B)113,667Legal fees70,768Custodian fees (Note B)54,649CCO fees and expenses (Note B)52,614Printing and mailing fees47,330Fund accounting fees (Note B)46,729Insurance expense36,124Audit fees34,207NYSE fees26,277Transfer agent fees and expenses (Note B)16,028Miscellaneous6,079Total Expenses1,582,945NET INVESTMENT INCOME306,262NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS39,148Net change in unrealized depreciation on investments and foreign currency transactions39,148Net change in unrealized depreciation on investments and foreign currency transactions33,2077)Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations\$(3,075,815)	INVESTMENT INCOME	
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(1)Net of \$43,246 in dividend withholding tax.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

THE MEXICO EQUITY AND INCOME FUND, INC.

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	For the Year Ended July 31, 2018	
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	-	-
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$306,262	\$637,234
Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency transactions	39,148	(1,335,875)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value		
of investments and foreign currency transactions		10,757,114
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(3,075,815)	10,058,473
Distributions to Shareholders from:		
Net investment income		
Common stock	(352,484)	
Decrease in net assets resulting from distributions	(352,484)	
Capital Share Transactions:		
Repurchase of common stock through tender offer	(4,461,164)	
Repurchase of common stock	(522,027)	
Decrease in net assets from capital share transactions	(4,983,191)	(882,728)
Total increase (decrease) in net assets	(8,411,490)	9,175,745
Net Assets:	100 555 040	01 570 004
Beginning of year		91,579,304
End of year*	\$92,343,559	
* Including accumulated net investment income of	\$111	\$351,599

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Financial Highlights

For a Common Share Outstanding Throughout Each Year

	For the Yea 2018	r Ended July 2017	y 31, 2016	2015	2014
Per Share Operating Performance					
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$13.71	\$12.32	\$13.79	\$17.77	\$17.91
Net investment income (loss)	0.05	0.09	0.01	(0.09)	0.01
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on					
investments and foreign currency transactions	(0.43)	1.28	(0.92)	(2.14)	2.10
Net increase (decrease) from investment operations	(0.38)	1.37	(0.91)	(2.23)	2.11
Less: Distributions					
Dividends from net investment income	(0.05)			(0.01)	
Distributions from net realized gains			(0.56)	(1.61)	(2.13)
Total dividends and distributions	(0.05)	—	(0.56)	(1.62)	(2.13)
Capital Share Transactions					
Anti-dilutive effect of Common					
Share Repurchase Program	0.01	0.02	0.03		0.00 (2)
Anti-dilutive effect of Tender Offer	0.03				
Anti-dilutive effect of					
Preferred Share Redemption			0.00 (2)		
Dilutive effect of Reinvestment of					
Distributions to the Fund's Stockholders			(0.03)	(0.13)	(0.12)
Total capital share transactions	0.04	0.02		(0.13)	(0.12)
Net Asset Value, end of year	\$13.32	\$13.71	\$12.32	\$13.79	\$17.77
Per share market value, end of year	\$11.40	\$11.88	\$10.78	\$12.11	\$16.08
Total Investment Return Based on					
Market Value, end of year ⁽¹⁾	(3.60)%	10.20 %	% (6.35)%	6 (15.19)%	% 15.93 %
Ratios/Supplemental Data					
Net assets, end of year (000's)	\$92,344	\$100,755	\$91,579	\$102,448	\$120,386
Ratios of expenses to average net assets:	1.75 %	1.71 9	6 1.89 %	1.76 %	
Ratios of net investment income (loss)					
to average net assets:	0.34 %	0.72 %	6 0.10 %	(0.58)9	% 0.07 %
Portfolio turnover rate	187.26%	315.95 %	6 167.08%	175.19 %	134.98 %

Total investment return is calculated assuming a purchase of common stock at the current market price on the first (1) day and a sale at the current market price on the last day of each period reported. Dividends and distributions, if any, are assumed for purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at the closing market price on the dividend

ex-date. Total investment does not reflect brokerage commissions.

(2)Less than 0.5 cents per share.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

THE MEXICO EQUITY AND INCOME FUND, INC.

July 31, 2018 Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE A: ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") was incorporated in Maryland on May 24, 1990, and commenced operations on August 21, 1990. The Fund is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company.

The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 "Financial Services—Investment Companies".

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Significant accounting policies are as follows:

Portfolio Valuation. Investments are stated at value in the accompanying financial statements. Listed equity securities are valued at the closing price on the exchange or market on which the security is primarily traded (the "Primary Market") at the valuation time. If the security did not trade on the Primary Market, it shall be valued at the closing price on another comparable exchange where it trades at the valuation time. If there are no such closing prices, the security shall be valued at the mean between the most recent highest bid and lowest ask prices at the valuation time. Investments in short-term debt securities having a maturity of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost if their term to maturity from the date of purchase was less than 60 days, or by amortizing their value on the 61st day prior to maturity if their term to maturity from the date of purchase when acquired by the Fund was more than 60 days. Other assets and securities for which no quotations are readily available will be valued in good faith at fair value using methods determined by the Board of Directors. These methods include, but are not limited to, the fundamental analytical data relating to the investment; the nature and duration of restrictions in the market in which they are traded (including the time needed to dispose of the security, methods of soliciting offers and mechanics of transfer); the evaluation of the forces which influence the market in which these securities may be purchased or sold, including the economic outlook and the condition of the industry in which the issuer participates. The Fund has a Valuation

Investment Transactions and Investment Income. The cost of investments sold is determined by use of the specific identification method for both financial reporting and income tax purposes. Interest income, including the accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recorded on an accrual basis; dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or, using reasonable diligence, when known to the Fund. The collectibility of income receivable from foreign securities is evaluated periodically, and any resulting allowances for uncollectible amounts are reflected currently in the determination of investment income. There was no allowance for uncollectible amounts at July 31, 2018.

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Tax Status. No provision is made for U.S. Federal income or excise taxes as it is the Fund's intention to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company and to make the requisite distributions to its shareholders that will be sufficient to relieve it from all or substantially all U.S. Federal income and excise taxes.

The Fund is subject to the following withholding taxes on income from Mexican sources:

Interest income on debt issued by the Mexican federal government is generally not subject to withholding. Withholding tax on interest from other debt obligations such as publicly traded bonds and loans by banks or insurance companies is at a rate of 4.9% under the tax treaty between Mexico and the United States.

Gains realized from the sale or disposition of debt securities may be subject to a 4.9% withholding tax. Gains realized by the Fund from the sale or disposition of equity securities that are listed and traded on the Mexican Stock Exchange ("MSE") are exempt from Mexican withholding tax if sold through the stock exchange. Gains realized on transactions outside of the MSE may be subject to withholding at a rate of 25% (20% rate prior to January 1, 2002) of the value of the shares sold or, upon the election of the Fund, at 35% (40% rate prior to January 1, 2002) of the gain. If the Fund has owned less than 25% of the outstanding stock of the issuer of the equity securities within the 12 month period preceding the disposition, then such disposition will not be subject to capital gains taxes as provided for in the treaty to avoid double taxation between Mexico and the United States.

Summary of Fair Value Exposure at July 31, 2018. The Fund follows the FASB ASC Topic 820 hierarchy, under which various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments.

The basis of the hierarchy is dependent upon various "inputs" used to determine the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the company has the ability to $1 - \alpha$ access.

Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, Level either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive

2 – market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.

Level Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available,

- 3 3 representing the company's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing
- 5^{-} the asset or liability, and would be based on the best information available.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the

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determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments carried at fair value as of July 31, 2018:

	Level 1*	Level	2* Level 3**	Total
Equity				
Airports	\$2,546,446	\$	—\$—	\$2,546,446
Auto Parts and Equipment	1,677,314		<u> </u>	1,677,314
Beverages	11,946,520		<u> </u>	11,946,520
Building Materials	7,674,525			7,674,525
Capital Development Certificates			— 1,695,905	1,695,905
Chemical Products	7,505,539			7,505,539
Construction and Infrastructure	5,818,984		<u> </u>	5,818,984
Consumer Financing Services	1,871,879			1,871,879
Energy	7,255,402			7,255,402
Financial Groups	13,705,038		<u> </u>	13,705,038
Food	3,759,630		<u> </u>	3,759,630
Hotels, Restaurants, and Recreation	2,162,806		— 1,065,217	3,228,023
Mining	5,179,028		<u> </u>	5,179,028
Railroads	2,081,466		<u> </u>	2,081,466
Real Estate Services	3,459,144		<u> </u>	3,459,144
Retail	3,393,832			3,393,832
Telecommunication	8,935,963			8,935,963
Total Equity	\$88,973,516	\$	-\$2,761,122	\$91,734,638
Mexican Mutual Funds	\$418,996	\$	—\$—	\$418,996
Short-Term Investments	\$368,901	\$	—\$—	\$368,901
Total Investments in Securities	\$89,761,413	\$	-\$2,761,122	\$92,522,535

* Transfers between Levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

** The Fund measures Level 3 activity as of the beginning and end of each financial reporting period.

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Transfers between Level 2 and Level 3 securities as of July 31, 2018 resulted from securities priced previously at the mean between the most recent bid and asked prices (Level 2 securities) to a price provided by the Adviser (Level 3 securities). Transfers as of July 31, 2018 are summarized in the table below:

Transfers into Level 2 Transfers out of Level 2 Net transfers in and/or out of Level 2	\$— (1,065,217) \$(1,065,217)
Transfers into Level 3 Transfers out of Level 3	\$1,065,217
Net transfers in and/or out of Level 3	\$1,065,217

Level 3 Reconciliation Disclosure

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value:

						Change in	
	Balance			Return	Realized	unrealized	Balance
	as of			of	Gain	appreciation	as of
<u>Category</u>	7/31/2017	Acquisitions	Dispositions	Capital	(Loss)	(depreciation) ⁽¹⁾	7/31/2018
Common							
Stock	\$1,364,078 ⁽²⁾	\$	\$ (311,274)	\$ —	\$103,721	\$ (91,308)	\$1,065,217
Capital							
Development							
Certificates	2,277,007					(581,102)	1,695,905
	\$3,641,085	\$	\$ (311,274)	\$ —	\$103,721	\$ (672,410)	\$2,761,122

(1) Included in the net unrealized appreciation on investments and foreign currency on the Statement of Assets & Liabilities.

(2) Security was classified as a Level 2 security at July 31, 2017.

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The following table presents additional information about valuation methodologies and inputs used for investments that are measured at fair value and categorized within Level 3 as of July 31, 2018:

				Impact to Valuation from
	Fair Value	Valuation	Unobservabl	ean Increase in
	July 31, 2018	Methodologies	Input ⁽¹⁾	Input ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	\$1,065,217	Market	Liquidity	Decrease
		Comparables	Discount	
Capital Development Certificates	s \$1,695,905	Market Comparables/ Sum of the Parts Valuation	Liquidity Discount	Decrease

In determining these inputs, management evaluates a variety of factors including economic conditions, foreign

(1) exchange rates, industry and market developments, market valuations of comparable companies and company specific developments.

This column represents the directional change in the fair value of the Level 3 investment that would result from (2)increases to the corresponding unobservable input. A decrease to the unobservable input would have the opposite effect.

Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities The Fund did not invest in derivative securities or engage in hedging activities during the period ended July 31, 2018.

Federal Income Taxes. The Fund intends to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code necessary to qualify as a regulated investment company and to make the requisite distributions of income and capital gains to its shareholders sufficient to relieve it from all or substantially all federal income taxes. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that permanent differences between financial reporting and tax reporting be reclassified between various components of net assets.

The Fund recognizes the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only where the position is "more-likely-than-not" to be sustained assuming examination by tax authorities. The Adviser has analyzed the Fund's tax positions, and has concluded that no liability for unrecognized tax benefits should be recorded related to uncertain tax positions taken on returns filed for open tax years (2015-2017), or expected to be taken in the Fund's 2018 tax returns. The Fund identifies its major tax jurisdictions as U.S. Federal, New York State and foreign jurisdictions where the Fund makes significant investments; however, the Fund is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will change materially in the next twelve months.

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Reclassification of Capital Accounts. Accounting Principles generally accepted in the United States of America require certain components of net assets relating to permanent differences be reclassified between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or net asset value per share. The permanent differences are primarily attributed to foreign currency loss reclassifications. For the year ended July 31, 2018, the following reclassifications were made for permanent tax differences on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Accumulated Undistributed Net Investment Income\$(305,266)Accumulated Net Realized Loss305,266Paid-in Capital—

Foreign Currency Translation. The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars on the following basis:

(i) market value of investment securities, assets and liabilities at the current Mexican peso exchange rate on the valuation date, and

purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the Mexican peso exchange rate prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions. Fluctuations in foreign currency rates, however, when determining

(ii) the gain or loss upon the sale of foreign currency denominated debt obligations pursuant to U.S. Federal income tax regulations; such amounts are categorized as foreign exchange gain or loss for income tax reporting purposes.

The Fund reports realized foreign exchange gains and losses on all other foreign currency related transactions as components of realized gains and losses for financial reporting purposes, whereas such gains and losses are treated as ordinary income or loss for Federal income tax purposes.

Securities denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars are subject to changes in value due to fluctuations in the foreign exchange rate. Foreign security and currency transactions may involve certain considerations and risks not typically associated with those of domestic origin as a result of, among other factors, the level of governmental supervision and regulation of foreign securities markets and the possibilities of political or economic instability.

Distribution of Income and Gains. The Fund intends to distribute to shareholders, at least annually, substantially all of its net investment income, including foreign currency gains. The Fund also intends to distribute annually any net realized capital gains in excess of net realized capital losses (including any capital loss carryovers), except in circumstances where the Directors of the Fund determine that the decrease in the size of the Fund's assets resulting from the distribution of the gains would generally not be in the interest of the Fund's shareholders. An additional distribution may be made to the extent necessary to avoid payment of a 4% U.S. Federal excise tax.

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Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount of dividends and distributions from net investment income and net realized gains are determined in accordance with U.S. Federal income tax regulations, which may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These "book/tax" differences are either considered temporary or permanent in nature. To the extent these differences are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the capital accounts based on their Federal tax-basis treatment; temporary differences do not require reclassification. To the extent they exceed net investment income and net realized gains for tax purposes, they are reported as distributions from additional paid-in capital.

Distributions to Shareholders. The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the periods ended July 31, 2018 and July 31, 2017 were as follows:

Distributions paid from:	<u>7/31/18</u>	<u>7/31/1</u>	17
Ordinary Income	\$352,484	\$	
Long-Term Capital Gain			
Total	\$352,484	\$	

As of July 31, 2018, the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis were as follows:

Cost of Investments for tax purposes(a)	\$85,719,927	
Gross tax unrealized appreciation on investments	12,521,299	
Gross tax unrealized depreciation on investments	(5,718,750)	
Net tax unrealized appreciation on investments	6,802,549	
Undistributed ordinary income	8,093	
Undistributed long-term capital gains		
Total distributable earnings	8,093	
Other accumulated gains(losses)	\$(6,459,488)	
Total accumulated earnings(losses)	\$351,154	

(a) Represents cost for federal income tax purposes. Differences between the Fund's cost basis of investments at July 31, 2018, for book and tax purposes, relates primarily to the deferral of losses related to wash sales and PFIC's.

At July 31, 2018, the Fund had tax basis capital losses which may be carried forward to offset future short term and long term capital gains indefinitely in the amount of \$2,483,780 and \$3,975,708, respectively. To the extent that the Fund may realize future net capital gains, those gains will be offset by any of the unused capital loss carryforward.

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NOTE B: MANAGEMENT, INVESTMENT ADVISORY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Pichardo Asset Management, S.A. de C.V. serves as the Fund's Investment Adviser (the "Investment Adviser") under the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") effective July 1, 2003. Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser makes investment decisions for the Fund and supervises the acquisition and disposition of securities by the Fund. For its services, the Investment Adviser is paid a base fee, accrued daily at the annual rate of 1.00%, subject to a performance fee adjustment which increases or decreases the fee depending upon how well the Fund has performed relative to the MSCI Mexico Index (the "Index") 12 month rolling average. The fee adjustment will be calculated using a monthly adjustment rate that is based upon the Fund's relative performance to the Index. The performance adjustment rate will be positive (resulting in an upward fee adjustment) for each percentage point, or portion thereof, that the investment performance of the Fund exceeds the investment performance of the Index for the performance period multiplied by three (3) and will be negative (resulting in a downward fee adjustment) for each percentage point, or portion thereof, that the investment performance of the Index exceeds the investment performance of the Fund for the performance period multiplied by three (3). Determinations of the performance adjustment rate (positive or negative) will be made in increments of 0.01% of differential performance. As an example, if the Fund's performance for the preceding 12 months exceeds the performance of the Index by 1.00%, the performance adjustment rate would be 3 x 0.01, which would result in a monthly fee equal to an annual rate of 1.03%. The performance adjustment rate will be limited to a 0.15% fee adjustment, positive or negative.

For the year ended July 31, 2018, the Fund's monthly investment performance ranged from 2.7% to (6.2)% above/(below) the monthly investment performance of the Index. Accordingly, for the year ended July 31, 2018 the net investment advisor fee consisted of the base fee of \$902,234 and a net downward performance fee adjustment of \$(32,464).

Effective January 1, 2015, the Fund pays each of its directors who is not a director, officer or employee of the Investment Adviser, the Administrator or any affiliate thereof an annual fee of \$35,000, paid pro rata, quarterly plus a fee of \$500 for each meeting held telephonically. As additional annual compensation, the Chairman of the Fund will receive \$5,000, the Audit Committee Chairman and Valuation Committee Chairman will receive \$3,000, and the Nomination Committee Chairman will receive \$2,000. For serving the Fund as Chief Compliance Officer, in addition to the aforementioned Directors' fees, Mr. Hellerman receives annual compensation in the amount of \$45,000. In addition, the Fund reimburses the directors and Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO") for travel and out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with Board of Directors' meetings and CCO due diligence requirements.

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC ("USBFS"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of U.S. Bancorp, serves as the Fund's Administrator and, in that capacity, performs various administrative services for the Fund. USBFS also serves as the Fund's Fund Accountant (the "Fund Accountant") and Transfer Agent.

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U.S. Bank, N.A. serves as the Fund's custodian (the "Custodian"). The Custodian is an affiliate of the Administrator. The Administrator prepares various federal and state regulatory filings, reports and returns for the Fund; prepares reports and materials to be supplied to the directors; monitors the activities of the Fund's Custodian and Fund Accountant; coordinates the preparation and payment of the Fund's expenses and reviews the Fund's expense accruals.

NOTE C: PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

Purchases and sales of securities other than short-term obligations, aggregated \$166,407,836 and \$170,823,722 respectively, for the year ended July 31, 2018.

At July 31, 2018 approximately 99.8% of the Fund's net assets were invested in Mexican securities. The Mexican securities markets are substantially smaller, less liquid, and more volatile than the major securities markets in the United States. Consequently, acquisitions and dispositions of securities by the Fund may be limited.

NOTE D: CAPITAL STOCK

During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Fund purchased 48,714 shares of capital stock in the open market at a cost of \$522,027. The weighted average discount of these purchases comparing the average purchase price to net asset value at the close of the New York Stock Exchange was 14.01%.

The Fund announced on January 19, 2018 that it was offering to purchase up to 5% of common shares outstanding of the Fund at 95% of the net asset value ("NAV") per common share on February 23, 2018. At the expiration of the offer on February 23, 2018, a total of 1,961,143 shares or approximately 26.71% of the Fund's outstanding common shares were validly tendered. As the total number of shares tendered exceeded the number of shares the Fund offered to purchase pursuant to the Offer, on a pro-rated basis, approximately 18.72% of the Fund's shares tendered by each tendering shareholder were accepted for payment. There were 367,174 shares accepted for payment at a price of \$12.15 per share (95% of the NAV per common share of \$12.79) or \$4,461,164.

During the year ended July 31, 2017, the Fund purchased 82,941 shares of capital stock in the open market at a cost of \$882,728. The weighted average discount of these purchases comparing the average purchase price to net asset value at the close of the New York Stock Exchange was 13.74%.

During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Fund purchased 109,636 shares of capital stock in the open market at a cost of \$1,207,197. The weighted average discount of these purchases comparing the average purchase price to net asset value at the close of the New York Stock Exchange was 13.68%.

On December 8, 2015, the Board of Directors declared a stock dividend of \$0.56 per share. This dividend was paid in shares of common stock of the Fund, or in cash by specific election of the

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stockholders. The Fund issued 113,378 shares of common stock to stockholders that did not elect the cash option, which amounted to \$1,089,584.

On December 17, 2015 at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Fund, the preferred stockholders, voting as a separate class, and the common and preferred stockholders, voting together as a single class, each approved an amendment to the Fund's Articles Supplementary authorizing the elimination of the preferred stock. Consequently, the Fund redeemed all 48,535 preferred shares outstanding at 98% of the Fund's net asset value per common share as of the close of business on Friday, January 8, 2016. Since such net asset value was \$11.50, the Fund paid each preferred stockholder \$11.27 per share on or about February 10, 2016. The total amount of the redemption payment was \$546,989. The net asset value per share of the Fund's stockholders was increased by approximately \$0.001 per share as a result of this redemption.

Share Repurchase

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 that the Fund may purchase, from time to time, shares of its common stock in the open market.

NOTE E: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Fund announced on September 17, 2018 that its Board of Directors has approved in principle a tender offer to repurchase up to 25% to 30% of its outstanding shares for cash at 99% of net asset value subject to (1) any required regulatory approvals, and (2) on each proposal presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, a majority of the shares being voted in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Directors. (At this time, the only matter known to the Board of Directors to be considered at the Annual Meeting is the election of directors.) If these conditions are met, the tender offer is expected to commence shortly after the 2018 Annual Meeting. In addition, if a majority of the shares on each proposal presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are voted in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Stockholders are voted in accordance shortly after the 2018 Annual Meeting. In addition, if a majority of the shares on each proposal presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are voted in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Directors, the Board intends to pursue a course of action designed to afford stockholders an opportunity to realize a price for their shares at or close to net asset value by the end of 2019. Such course of action may include converting the Fund to an open-end mutual fund.

Report Of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc.,

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc., (the "Fund"), including the schedule of investments, as of July 31, 2018, the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of July 31, 2018, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB. We have served as the Fund's auditor since 2002.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of July 31, 2018 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers; when replies were not received from brokers, we performed other auditing procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania September 24, 2018

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BOARD CONSIDERATION OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE FUND'S INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT (Unaudited)

At its in-person meeting held on March 23, 2018, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc. (the "Fund"), met to consider the renewal of the Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") between the Fund and Pichardo Asset Management S.A. de C.V. (the "Adviser"). The Independent Directors (as defined below) and Mr. Gerald Hellerman also met to review materials related to the renewal of the Advisory Agreement during a telephonic board meeting held on March 21, 2018 (the "March 21, 2018 Meeting"). At the March 21, 2018 Meeting, the Board received and discussed a memorandum from the Fund's independent legal counsel regarding the duties and responsibilities of the Board and the Independent Directors under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), in reviewing advisory contracts. Based on their evaluation of the information provided, the Directors, by a unanimous vote (including a separate vote of the Directors who are not "interested persons", as that term is defined in the 1940 Act, as amended (the "Independent Directors")), approved the continuation of the Advisory Agreement for an additional one-year term. The information, material facts and conclusions that formed the basis for the Board's approval are described below.

INFORMATION REVIEWED

During the course of the year, Board members review a wide variety of materials relating to the nature, extent and quality of the services provided to the Fund by the Adviser, including reports on the Fund's investment results, portfolio composition, investment strategy, economic outlook, valuation, and other matters. In addition, in connection with its annual review of the Agreement, independent counsel on behalf of the Board requested and the Board reviewed information that included materials regarding the Fund's investment results, advisory fee and expense comparisons, financial and profitability information regarding the Adviser, descriptions of various functions such as compliance monitoring and portfolio trading practices, and information about the personnel providing investment management and administrative services to the Fund. In connection with its review, the Board received assistance and advice in the form of a written memorandum regarding legal and industry standards with respect to the renewal of an investment advisory agreement from counsel to the Fund. The Independent Directors discussed the approval of the Agreement, with representatives of the Adviser and during the March 23, 2018 with counsel at which no representatives of the Adviser and during to recommend approval of the Agreement, the Board and the Independent Directors did not identify any single or particular piece of information that, in isolation, was the controlling factor. This summary describes the most important, but not all, of the factors considered by the Board and the Independent Directors.

1. NATURE, EXTENT AND QUALITY OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE FUND

The Directors considered the nature, extent and quality of services provided by the Adviser to the Fund and the amount of time devoted to the Fund's affairs by the Adviser's staff. The Directors considered the Adviser's specific responsibilities in all aspects of daily management of the Fund, as well as the qualifications, experience and responsibilities of Ms. Maria Eugenia Pichardo, the Fund's portfolio manager, and other key personnel at

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the Adviser involved in the day-to-day activities of the Fund. The Board also considered the operational strength of the Adviser. The Directors discussed in detail the Adviser's performance and compliance oversight, including the reports of the Fund's chief compliance officer to the Directors on the effectiveness of the Adviser's compliance program. The Directors noted that the Adviser exhibited a high level of diligence and attention to detail in carrying out its responsibilities under the Agreement and that the nature, overall quality, and extent of the management services were satisfactory and the Adviser continued to be reliable.

The Independent Directors reviewed the personnel responsible for providing services to the Fund and concluded, based on their experience and interaction with the Adviser, that (a) the Adviser was able to retain quality personnel, (b) the Adviser exhibited a high level of diligence and attention to detail in carrying out its responsibilities under the Investment Advisory Agreement, (c) the Adviser was sufficiently responsive to the requests of the Independent Directors, and (d) the Adviser had consistently kept the Independent Directors apprised of developments related to the Fund and the Mexican economy in general.

2. INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND

The Independent Directors discussed the performance of the Fund for the one-year, three-year, five-year and ten year periods ended January 31, 2018. In assessing the quality of the portfolio management services delivered by the Adviser, the Independent Directors also compared the short-term and long-term performance of the Fund on both an absolute basis and in comparison to a peer group of closed end international funds constructed by data provided by Morningstar, Inc. (the "Morningstar Peer Group"). The Independent Directors noted that the Fund produced positive returns for the one-year, three-year, five-year and ten-year periods ended January 31, 2018. The Independent Directors noted that the one year return for the Fund ranked twentieth amongst its peer group while the Fund ranked twenty second, sixteenth and fifteenth for the three-year, five-year and ten year periods, respectively. The Independent Directors further noted that the Fund's performance was below the Morningstar Peer Group median for the one-year, three-year, five-year and ten-year periods ended January 31, 2018, though still satisfactory. The Independent Directors noted that the Board had reviewed the investment performance of the Fund at each quarterly Meeting over the course of the year. The Independent Directors concluded that the Fund's performance was satisfactory under current market conditions. Although past performance is not a guarantee or indication of future results, the Independent Directors determined that the Fund and its shareholders were likely to benefit from the Adviser's continued management.

3. COSTS OF SERVICES PROVIDED AND PROFITS REALIZED BY THE ADVISER

The Directors considered the cost of services and the structure of the Adviser's fees, including a review of the expense analyses and other pertinent material with respect to the Fund. In addition, the Independent Directors reviewed information comparing the Fund's contractual advisory fees with the Morningstar Peer Group. The Independent Directors noted that the Fund's contractual investment advisory fee of 1.00% was higher than the 0.96% Morningstar Peer Group average and that the current year's contractual investment advisory fee adjusted for the downward performance adjustment under the fulcrum fee was seven basis

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points lower than the Morningstar Peer Group average. The Independent Directors further noted that the then current expense ratio of 1.71% for the Fund was higher than the Morningstar Peer Group average of 1.43%. The Independent Directors noted that the higher expense ratio was in part due to the Fund's asset size being smaller than the average asset size of the Morningstar Peer Group. The Independent Directors further noted that the expense ratio had since decreased to 1.64%, largely due to a decrease in advisory fees paid resulting from the negative fulcrum fee adjustments. The Independent Directors concluded that the Fund's expenses and advisory fees paid to the Adviser were fair and not unreasonable in light of the comparative performance, expense and advisory fee information. The Directors examined the level of profits that could be expected to accrue to the Adviser from the fees payable under the Agreement, as well as the Fund's brokerage arrangements, noting that the Adviser makes no effort to seek soft dollar arrangements. These considerations were based on materials requested by the Directors and the Fund's atthe Fund's atthe formation were based on materials requested by the Directors and the Fund's atthe presentations made by the Adviser over the course of the year.

The Directors concluded that the Fund's expenses and the management fees paid to the Adviser were fair and reasonable in light of the comparative performance, expense and management fee information. The Directors further concluded that the Adviser's profit from advising the Fund had not been, and currently was not, excessive and that the Adviser had maintained adequate profit levels to support its services to the Fund from the revenues of its overall investment advisory business.

4. EXTENT OF ECONOMIES OF SCALE AS THE FUND GROWS

The Directors considered the extent to which economies of scale were or should be reflected in the Fund's advisory fee, and concluded that in view of the Fund's investment results, the Fund's reasonable level of total expenses and overall size of the net assets in the Fund that the investment advisory fees were reasonable and that there were no economies of scale available at this time that should be passed along to the Fund.

5. BENEFITS DERIVED FROM THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FUND

The Directors considered the direct and indirect benefits that could be realized by the Adviser from its association with the Fund. The Directors examined the brokerage and commissions of the Adviser with respect to the Fund, noting that the Adviser receives no soft dollar benefits from its relationship with the Fund and has no affiliated entities that provide services to the Fund. The Directors concluded that any such benefits were difficult to quantify and likely not significant.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on their review, including consideration of each of the factors referred to above, the Board and the Independent Directors concluded that the terms of the Agreement are fair and reasonable to the Fund and its stockholders, that the Fund's stockholders receive reasonable value in return for the advisory fees paid to the Adviser by the Fund and that renewal of the Agreement was in the best interests of the Fund and its stockholders.

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NOTE 1: INFORMATION ABOUT PROXY VOTING

Information regarding how the Fund votes proxies relating to portfolio securities is available without charge upon request by calling toll-free at 1-877-785-0376 and the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent twelve month period ended June 30 is available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or by calling the toll-free number listed above.

NOTE 2: AVAILABILITY OF QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO SCHEDULE

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The filing will be available, upon request, by calling 1-877-785-0376. Furthermore, you will be able to obtain a copy of the filing on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov beginning with the filing for the period ended October 31, 2004. The Fund's Forms N-Q may also be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC and information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

NOTE 3: INFORMATION ABOUT CERTIFICATIONS

In December 2017, the Fund submitted a CEO annual certification to the NYSE in which the Fund's principal executive officer certified that she was not aware, as of the date of the certification, of any violation by the Fund of the NYSE's Corporate Governance listing standards. In addition, as required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and related SEC rules, the Fund's principal executive and principal financial officers have made quarterly certifications, included in the filing with the SEC on Forms N-CSR and N-Q, relating to, among other things, the Fund's disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting.

NOTE 4: INFORMATION ON FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Except for historical information contained in this report for the Fund, the matters discussed in this report may constitute forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe-harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These include any adviser or portfolio manager predictions, assessments, analyses or outlooks for individual securities, industries, market sectors and/or markets. These statements involve risks and uncertainties. In addition to the general risks described for the Fund in the most recent Prospectus, other factors bearing on this report include the accuracy of the adviser's or portfolio manager's data, forecasts and predictions, and the appropriateness of the investment programs designed by the adviser or portfolio manager to implement their strategies efficiently and effectively. Any one or more of these factors, as well as other risks affecting the securities markets and investment instruments generally, could cause the actual results of the Fund to differ materially as compared to benchmarks associated with the Fund.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO FOREIGN SHAREHOLDERS ONLY

The percent of ordinary income distributions designated as interest related dividends for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018 was 0.00%. (unaudited)

The percentage of taxable ordinary income distributions that are designated as short-term capital gain distributions under Internal Revenue Section 871(k)(2)(C) was 0.00%. (unaudited)

The Fund designates 0.25% of dividends declared for the fiscal year July 31, 2018 from net investment income as qualified dividend income under the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003. (unaudited)

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DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN

The Fund intends to distribute to shareholders substantially all of its net investment company taxable income at least annually. Investment company taxable income, as defined in section 852 of the Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986, includes all of the Fund's taxable income minus the excess, if any, of its net realized long-term capital gains over its net realized short-term capital losses (including any capital loss carryovers), plus or minus certain other required adjustments. The Fund also expects to distribute annually substantially all of its net realized long-term capital gains in excess of net realized short-term capital losses (including any capital loss carryovers), except in circumstances where the Fund realizes very large capital gains and where the Directors of the Fund determine that the decrease in the size of the Fund's assets resulting from the distribution of the gains would not be in the interest of the Fund's shareholders generally.

Pursuant to the Fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "Plan"), each shareholder will be deemed to have elected, unless the Plan Agent (as defined below) is otherwise instructed by the shareholder in writing, to have all distributions, net of any applicable U.S. withholding tax, automatically reinvested in additional shares of the Fund by U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's transfer agent, as the Plan Agent (the "Plan Agent"). Shareholders who do not participate in the Plan will receive all dividends and distributions in cash, net of any applicable U.S. withholding tax, paid in U.S. dollars by check mailed directly to the shareholder by the Plan Agent, as dividend-paying agent. Shareholders who do not wish to have dividends and distributions automatically reinvested should notify the Plan Agent for The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc., c/o U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, ATTN: Ms. Casey Sauer, 615 East Michigan Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202. Dividends and distributions with respect to shares of the Fund's Common Stock registered in the name of a broker-dealer or other nominee (i.e., in "street name") will be reinvested under the Plan unless the service is not provided by the broker or nominee or the shareholder elects to receive dividends and distributions in cash. A shareholder whose shares are held by a broker or nominee that does not provide a dividend reinvestment program may be required to have his shares registered in his own name to participate in the Plan. Investors who own shares of the Fund's Common Stock registered in street name should contact the broker or nominee for details.

The Plan Agent serves as agent for the shareholders in administering the Plan. If the Directors of the Fund declare an income dividend or a capital gains distribution payable in the Fund's Common Stock, or in cash, as shareholders may have elected, nonparticipants in the Plan will receive cash and participants in the Plan will receive Common Stock to be issued by the Fund. If the market price per share on the valuation date equals or exceeds net asset value per share on that date, the Fund will issue new shares to participants at net asset value; or, if the net asset value is less than 95% of the market price on the valuation date, then such shares will be issued at 95% of the market price.

If net asset value per share on the valuation date exceeds the market price per share on that date, participants in the Plan will receive shares of Common Stock from the Fund valued at market price. The

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valuation date is the dividend or distribution payment date or, if that date is not a New York Stock Exchange trading day, the next preceding trading day. If the Fund should declare an income dividend or capital gains distribution payable only in cash, the Plan Agent will, as agent for the participants, buy Fund shares in the open market on the New York Stock Exchange or elsewhere, for the participants' accounts on, or shortly after, the payment date.

The Plan Agent maintains all shareholder accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmations of all transactions in an account, including information needed by shareholders for personal and tax records. Shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Agent in noncertified form in the name of the participant, and each shareholder's proxy will include those shares purchased pursuant to the Plan.

In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees that hold shares for others who are beneficial owners, the Plan Agent will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of shares certified from time to time by the shareholders as representing the total amount registered in the shareholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who participate in the Plan.

There is no charge to participants for reinvesting dividends or capital gains distributions payable in either Common Stock or cash. The Plan Agent's fees for the handling or reinvestment of such dividends and capital gains distributions will be paid by the Fund. There will be no brokerage charges with respect to shares issued directly by the Fund as a result of dividends or capital gains distributions payable either in stock or in cash. However, each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred with respect to the Plan Agent's open market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of dividends or capital gains distributions payable in cash.

Brokerage charges for purchasing small amounts of Common Stock for individual accounts through the Plan are expected to be less than usual brokerage charges for such transactions because the Plan Agent will be purchasing stock for all participants in blocks and prorating the lower commissions thus attainable. Brokerage commissions will vary based on, among other things, the broker selected to effect a particular purchase and the number of participants on whose behalf such purchase is being made.

The receipt of dividends and distributions in Common Stock under the Plan will not relieve participants of any income tax (including withholding tax) that may be payable on such dividends or distributions.

Experience under the Plan may indicate that changes in the Plan are desirable. Accordingly, the Fund and the Plan Agent reserve the right to terminate the Plan as applied to any dividend or distribution paid subsequent to notice of the termination sent to participants at least 30 days before the record date for such dividend or distribution. The Plan also may be amended by the Fund or the Plan Agent, but (except when necessary or appropriate to comply with applicable law, or rules or policies of a regulatory authority) only upon at least 30 days' written notice to participants. All correspondence concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Agent at the address above.

Results of Annual

Stockholders Meeting July 31, 2018 (Unaudited)

The Fund's Annual Stockholders meeting was held on December 14, 2017, at the offices of U.S. Bancorp Fund Services LLC, 777 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53202. As of October 12, 2017, the record date, outstanding shares of common stock were 7,349,716. Holders of 6,649,174 common shares of the Fund were present at the meeting either in person or by proxy. These holders, as being holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Fund, constituted a quorum. The stockholders voted on one proposal. The stockholders elected one Director to the Board of Directors. The following table provides information concerning the matter voted on at the meeting:

I.(A) Election of Directors - Common

Phillip Goldstein

Votes For Votes Withheld 6,471,202 177,972

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FACTS WHAT DOES THE MEXICO EQUITY AND INCOME FUND, INC. (THE "FUND"), AND SERVICE PROVIDERS TO THE FUND, ON THE FUND'S BEHALF, DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

What? The types of personal information we, and our service providers, on our behalf, collect and share depends on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Social Security number
- account balances
- account transactions
- transaction history
- wire transfer instructions
- checking account information

When you are no longer our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice. All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the

How? reasons the Fund, and our service providers, on our behalf, choose to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does the Fund share?	Can you limit this sharing?
For our everyday business purposes –		
such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s),		
respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to		
credit bureaus	Yes	No
For our marketing purposes –		
to offer our products and services to you	No	We don't share
For joint marketing with other financial companies	No	We don't share
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes –		
information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes –		
information about your creditworthiness	No	We don't share
For our affiliates to market to you	No	We don't share
For nonaffiliates to market to you	No	We don't share

Questions? Call (877) 785-0376

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What we do Who is providing this notice?	The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc. (the "Fund")
How does the Fund, and the	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use,
Fund's service providers, on the	we and our service providers use security measures that comply with
Fund's behalf, protect my personal information?	federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.
How does the Fund, and the	We collect your personal information, for example, when you:
Fund's service providers, on	• open an account
the Fund's behalf, collect my	• provide account information
personal information?	 give us your contact information make a wire transfer We also collect your information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.
Why can't I limit all sharing?	Federal law gives you the right to limit only
	 sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes – information about your creditworthiness affiliates from using your information to market to you sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.
Definitions	State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to mint sharing.
Affiliates	Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies. • None
Nonaffiliates	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.
Joint marketing	 The Fund does not share with nonaffiliates so they can market to you. A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you. The Fund does not jointly market.

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Board of Directors. The management and affairs of the Fund are supervised by the Board of Directors. The Board consists of five individuals, whom are not "interested persons" of the Fund as the term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Directors are fiduciaries for the Fund's shareholders and are governed by the laws of the State of Maryland in this regard. The Board establishes policies for the operation of the Fund and appoints the officers who conduct the daily business of the Fund. The Directors and Interested Officers of the Fund are listed below with their addresses, present position(s) with the Fund, length of time served, principal occupations over at least the last five years, and any other Directorships held. Please note that the Fund is not part of a fund complex.

Additional information about the Directors and Officers of the Fund is included in the Fund's most recent Proxy Statement.

Name and Address Gerald Hellerman 615 E. Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Year Position(s) <u>Born with the Fund</u> 1937 Director, Chief Compliance Officer	of Time Served Since	Principal Occupation <u>During the Past Five Years</u> Managing Director of Hellerman Associates (a financial and corporate consulting firm) since 1993 (which terminated activities as of December 31, 2013).	Director, Swiss Helvetia Fund, Inc.; Trustee, Crossroads Liquidating Trust; Director, Emergent Capital, Inc. (until 2017); Director, MVC Capital, Inc.; Director, Special Opportunities
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				Trust; Director, Ironsides Partners
				Opportunity Offshore Fund Ltd.
				(2012-2016); Director, Brantley Capital Corporation
				(until 2013).

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Name and Address	Year Position(s) <u>Born with the Fund</u> 1945 Chairman	of Time Served Since	Principal Occupation <u>During the Past Five Years</u> Since its inception in 2009, Mr. Goldstein has been a member of Bulldog Investors, LLC, the investment advisor of Special Opportunities Fund, Inc. and the Bulldog Investors group of funds. He also is a member of Kimball & Winthrop, LLC, the managing general partner of Bulldog Investors General Partnership, since 2012. From 1992-2012, Mr. Goldstein was a member of the general partners of several private funds in the Bulldog Investors group of funds and in 2012 became a member of Bulldog Holdings, LLC, which became the sole owner of such general partners.	Other Directorships <u>Held by Director</u> Trustee, High Income Securities Fund (f/k/a Putnam High Income Securities Fund); Director, Swiss Helvetia Fund, Inc.; Trustee, Crossroads Liquidating Trust; Director, Brookfield DTLA Fund Office Trust Investor; Chairman, Emergent Capital, Inc. (until 2017); Director, MVC Capital, Inc.; Chairman, Special Opportunities Fund, Inc.; Chairman, Brantley Capital Corporation (until 2013); Director, ASA Ltd. (until 2013).
Glenn Goodstein 5650 El Camino Real, Suite 155 Carlsbad, CA 92008	1963 Director	Since 2016 / 17 years	Registered Investment Advisor; held numerous executive positions with Automatic Data Processing until 1996.	None

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Name and Address	Year Position(s) <u>Born with the Fun</u>	Term of Office/Length <u>dof Time Served</u>	Principal Occupation During the Past Five Years	Other Directorships Held by Director
Rajeev Das	1968 Director	Since	Since 2004, Mr. Das has	Trustee, High Income
68 Lafayette Avenue		2015 / 17 years	been a Principal of the	Securities Fund (f/k/a
Dumont, NJ 07628			entities serving as the general	Putnam High Income Securities Fund).
			partner of the private investment partnerships in the Bulldog Investors group of investment funds. Head Trader of Bulldog Investors LLC, the investment adviser to the Special Opportunities Fund, Inc., since its inception in 2009. Treasurer of Special Opportunities Fund, Inc., from 2009-2014.	,
Richard Abraham 143 Colfax Rd Havertown, PA 19083	1955 Director	Since 2015 / 3 years	Since 1998, Mr. Abraham has been self employed as a securities trader.	None
Maria Eugenia Pichardo	1950Officer,	Indefinite / 14 years	Portfolio Manager of the	None
Andres Bello No. 45 – 22 Floor	President		Fund since the Fund's	
Col. Chapultepec Polanco Del. Miguel Hidalgo Mexico, CDMX (D.F.), C.P. 11560			Inception; President and General Partner, Pichardo Asset Management, S.A. de C.V. since 2003; Managing Director, Acciones y Valores de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. from 1979-2002.	
Luis Calzada	1965 Secretary	Indefinite / 7 years	Administrative and	None
Andres Bello No. 45 – 22 Floor			Compliance Director,	
Col. Chapultepec Polanco Mexico, CDMX (D.F.), C.P. 11560			Pichardo Asset Management S.A. de C.V.	

Arnulfo Rodriguez	1962Chief	Since	Strategist and Debt Portfolio	None
Andres Bello No. 45 – 22 Floor	Financial	2016 / 2 years	Manager, Pichardo Asset	
Col. Chapultepec Polanco	Officer		Management, S.A. de C.V.	
Mexico, CDMX (D.F.),			from January 2016-present	;
C D 11560			Local Fixed Income	
C.P. 11560			Research	
			Vice President, Acciones y	
			Valores Banamex from Jul	у
			2011-January 2016.	

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Investment Adviser: Pichardo Asset Management, S.A. de C.V. Andres Bello No. 45 – 22 Floor Col. Chapultepec Polanco Del. Miguel Hidalgo Mexico, CDMX (D.F.), C.P. 11560

Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm: Tait, Weller & Baker LLP 1818 Market Street, Suite 2400 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Transfer Agent and Registrar, Fund Administrator and Fund Accountant: U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC 615 East Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Custodian: U.S. Bank, N.A. Custody Operations 1555 Rivercenter Drive, Suite 302 Milwaukee, WI 53212

Board of Directors: Richard Abraham Rajeev Das Phillip Goldstein Glenn Goodstein Gerald Hellerman

Item 2. Code of Ethics.

The registrant has adopted a code of ethics that applies to the registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer. The registrant has not made any amendments to its code of ethics during the period covered by this report. The registrant has not granted any waivers from any provisions of the code of ethics during the period covered by this report. The registrant undertakes to provide to any person without charge, upon request, a copy of its code of ethics by mail when they call the registrant at 1-877-785-0376.

Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert.

The registrant's board of directors has determined that there is at least one audit committee financial expert serving on its audit committee. Rajeev Das is the "audit committee financial expert" and is considered to be "independent" as each term is defined in Item 3 of Form N-CSR.

Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

The registrant has engaged its principal accountant to perform audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services during the past two fiscal years. "Audit services" refer to performing an audit of the registrant's annual financial statements or services that are normally provided by the accountant in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements for those fiscal years. "Audit-related services" refer to the assurance and related services by the principal accountant that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit. "Tax services" refer to professional services rendered by the principal accountant for tax compliance, tax advice, and tax planning. "Other services" were not provided by the principal accountant. The following table details the aggregate fees billed or expected to be billed for each of the last two fiscal years for audit fees, audit-related fees, tax fees and other fees by the principal accountant.

	FYE 7/31/2018	FYE
	FIE //31/2018	7/31/2017
Audit Fees	\$30,900	\$30,900
Audit-Related Fees	\$0	\$0
Tax Fees	\$3,300	\$3,300
All Other Fees	\$0	\$0

The audit committee has adopted pre-approval policies and procedures that require the audit committee to pre approve all audit and non audit services of the registrant, including services provided to any entity affiliated with the registrant.

The percentage of fees billed by Tait, Weller & Baker LLP applicable to non-audit services pursuant to waiver of pre-approval requirement were as follows:

	FYE 7/31/2018	FYE
		7/31/2017
Audit-Related Fees	0%	0%
Tax Fees	0%	0%
All Other Fees	0%	0%

All of the principal accountant's hours spent on auditing the registrant's financial statements were attributed to work performed by full time permanent employees of the principal accountant.

The following table indicates the non-audit fees billed or expected to be billed by the registrant's accountant for services to the registrant and to the registrant's investment adviser (and any other controlling entity, etc.—not sub-adviser) for the last two years. The audit committee of the board of trustees/directors has considered whether the

provision of non-audit services that were rendered to the registrant's investment adviser is compatible with maintaining the principal accountant's independence and has concluded that the provision of such non-audit services by the accountant has not compromised the accountant's independence.

Non-Audit Related Fees	FYE	7/31/2018 FYE	E 7/31/2017
Registrant	\$0	\$0	
Registrant's Investment Advise	er\$0	\$0	

Item 5. Audit Committee of Listed Registrants.

The standing audit committee is comprised of Mr. Abraham, Mr. Phillip Goldstein, Mr. Glenn Goodstein and Mr. Rajeev Das.

Item 6. Investments.

(a)Schedule of Investments is included as part of the report to shareholders filed under Item 1 of this Form.

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

PROXY VOTING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

The Proxy Voting Policies and Guidelines contained in this document summarize The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc.'s (the "Fund") positions on various issues of concern to the Fund's shareholders. These Guidelines give general indication as to how the Fund's Advisor will vote Fund shares on each issue listed. However, this listing does not address all potential voting issues or the intricacies that may surround individual proxy votes. For that reason there may be instances in which votes may vary from the guidelines presented here. The Fund endeavors to vote Fund shares in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies.

I. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

- A. Board and Governance Issues
- 1. Board of Director/Trustee Composition

The Board of Directors is responsible for the overall governance of the corporation.

The Fund advisor will <u>oppose</u> slates without at least a majority of independent directors (1/3 of directors who are outsiders to the corporation).

The Fund advisor will vote <u>for</u> shareholder proposals that request that the board audit, compensation and/or nominating committees include independent directors exclusively.

2. Increase Authorized Common Stock

The Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> the authorization of additional common stock necessary to facilitate a stock split.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> the authorization of additional common stock, if the company already has a large amount of stock authorized but not issued or reserved for its stock option plans. In this latter instance, there is a concern that the authorized but unissued shares will be used as a poison pill or other takeover defense, which will be <u>opposed</u>. In addition, we will require the company to provide a specific purpose for any request to increase shares by

more than 100 percent of the current authorization.

3. Blank Check Preferred Stock

Blank check preferred is stock with a fixed dividend and a preferential claim on company assets relative to common shares. The terms of the stock (voting dividend and conversion rights) are set by the Board at a future date without further shareholder action. While such an issue can in theory have legitimate corporate purposes, most often it has been used as a takeover defense since the stock has terms that make the entire company less attractive.

The Fund advisor will generally oppose the creation of blank check preferred stock.

4. Classified or "Staggered" Board

On a classified (or staggered) board, directors are divided into separate classes (usually three) with directors in each class elected to overlapping three-year terms. Companies argue that such Boards offer continuity in direction which promotes long-term planning. However, in some instances they may serve to deter unwanted takeovers since a potential buyer would have to wait at least two years to gain a majority of Board seats.

The Fund advisor will vote on a case-by-case basis on issues involving classified boards.

5. Supermajority Vote Requirements

Supermajority vote requirements in a company's charter or bylaws require a level of voting approval in excess of a simple majority. Generally, supermajority provisions require at least 2/3 affirmative vote for passage of issues.

The Fund advisor will vote on a case-by-case issues involving supermajority voting.

6. Restrictions on Shareholders to Act by Written Consent

Written consent allows shareholders to initiate and carry out a shareholder action without waiting until the annual meeting or by calling a special meeting. It permits action to be taken by the written consent of the same percentage of outstanding shares that would be required to effect the proposed action at a shareholder meeting.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>oppose</u> proposals to limit or eliminate the right of shareholders to act by written consent.

7. Restrictions on Shareholders to Call Meetings

The Fund advisor will generally oppose such a restriction as it limits the right of the shareholder.

8. Limitations, Director Liability and Indemnification

Because of increased litigation brought against directors of corporations and the increased costs of director's liability insurance, many states have passed laws limiting director liability for those acting in good faith. Shareholders however must opt into such statutes. In addition, many companies are seeking to add indemnification of directors to corporate bylaws.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> director liability and indemnification resolutions because it is important for companies to be able to attract the most qualified individuals to their Boards. Note: Those directors acting fraudulently would remain liable for their actions irrespective of this resolution.

9. Reincorporation

Corporations are in general bound by the laws of the state in which they are incorporated. Companies reincorporate for a variety of reasons including shifting incorporation to a state where the company has its most active operations or corporate headquarters, or shifting incorporation to take advantage of state corporate takeover laws.

While each reincorporation proposal will be evaluated based on its own merits, the Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> reincorporation resolutions for valid business reasons (such as reincorporating in the same state as the corporate headquarters).

10. Cumulative Voting

Cumulative voting allows shareholders to "stack" their votes behind one or a few directors running for the board, thereby helping a minority of shareholders to win board representation. Cumulative voting gives minority shareholders a voice in corporate affairs proportionate to their actual strength in voting shares.

The Fund advisor will generally support proposals calling for cumulative voting in the election of directors.

11. Dual Classes of Stock

In order to maintain corporate control in the hands of a certain group of shareholders, companies may seek to create multiple classes of stock with differing rights pertaining to voting and dividends.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>oppose</u> dual classes of stock. However, the advisor will <u>support</u> classes of stock offering different dividend rights (such as one class which pays cash dividends and a second which pays stock dividends) depending on the circumstances.

12. Limit Directors' Tenure

In general corporate directors may stand for re-election indefinitely. Opponents of this practice suggest that limited tenure would inject new perspectives into the boardroom as well as possibly creating room for directors from diverse backgrounds; however, continuity is important to corporate leadership and in some instances alternative means may be explored for injecting new ideas or members from diverse backgrounds into corporate boardrooms.

Accordingly, the Fund advisor will vote on a case-by-case basis attempts to limit director tenure.

13. Minimum Director Stock Ownership

The director share ownership proposal requires that all corporate directors own a minimum number of shares in the corporation. The purpose of this resolution is to encourage directors to have the same interest as other shareholders.

The Fund advisor will support resolutions that require corporate directors to own shares in the company.

14. Selection of Auditor

Annual election of the outside accountants is standard practice. While it is recognized that the company is in the best position to evaluate the competence of the outside accountants, we believe that outside accountants must ultimately be accountable to shareholders. Furthermore, audit committees have been the subject of a report released by the Blue Ribbon Commission on Improving the Effectiveness of Corporate Audit Committees in conjunction with the NYSE and the National Association of Securities Dealers. The Blue Ribbon Commission concluded that audit committees must improve their current level of oversight of independent accountants. Given the rash of accounting irregularities

that were not detected by audit panels or auditors, shareholder ratification is an essential step in restoring investor confidence.

The Fund advisor will <u>oppose</u> the resolutions seeking ratification of the auditor when fees for financial systems design and implementation exceed audit and all other fees, as this can compromise the independence of the auditor.

The Fund advisor will <u>oppose</u> the election of the audit committee chair if the audit committee recommends an auditors whose fees for financial systems design and implementation exceed audit and all other fees, as this can compromise the independence of the auditor.

B. Executive Compensation

1. Disclosure of CEO, Executive, Board and Management Compensation

On a case-by-case basis, the Fund advisor will <u>support</u> shareholder resolutions requesting companies to disclose the salaries of top management and the Board of Directors.

2. Compensation for CEO, Executive, Board and Management

The Fund advisor will <u>oppose</u> an executive compensation proposal if we believe the compensation does not reflect the economic and social circumstances of the company (i.e. at times of layoffs, downsizing, employee wage freezes, etc.).

3. Formation and Independence of Compensation Review Committee

The Fund advisor will <u>support</u> shareholder resolutions requesting the formation of a committee of independent directors to review and examine executive compensation.

4. Stock Options for Board and Executives

The Fund advisor will generally <u>oppose</u> stock option plans that in total offer greater than 15% of shares outstanding because of voting and earnings dilution.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>oppose</u> option programs that allow the repricing of underwater options. (Repricing divides shareholder and employee interests. Shareholders cannot "reprice" their stock and, therefore, optionees should not be treated differently).

The Fund advisor will generally <u>oppose</u> stock option plans that have option exercise prices below the marketplace on the day of the grant.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> options programs for outside directors subject to the same constraints previously described.

5. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOPs)

The Fund advisor will <u>support</u> ESOPs created to promote active employee ownership. However, they will <u>oppose</u> any ESOP whose purpose is to prevent a corporate takeover.

6. Pay Equity

The Fund advisor will <u>support</u> shareholder resolutions that request that management provide a race and/or gender pay equity report.

7. Ratio Between CEO and Worker Pay

The Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> shareholder resolutions requesting that management report on the ratio between CEO and employee compensation.

8. Maximum Ratio Between CEO and Worker Compensation and/or Cap on CEO Compensation

The Fund advisor will vote on a case-by-case basis shareholder resolutions requesting management to set a maximum ratio between CEO and employee compensation and/or a cap on CEO compensation.

9. Changes to Charter or By-Laws

The Fund advisor will conduct a case-by-case review of the proposed changes with the voting decision resting on whether the proposed changes are in shareholder's best interests.

10. Confidential Voting

Typically, proxy voting differs from voting in political elections in that the company is made aware of shareholder votes as they are cast. This enables management to contact dissenting shareholders in an attempt to get them to change their votes.

The Fund advisor will support confidential voting because the voting process should be free of coercion.

11. Equal Access to Proxy

Equal access proposals ask companies to give shareholders access to proxy materials to state their views on contested issues, including director nominations. In some cases, they would actually allow shareholders to nominate directors. Companies suggest that such proposals would make an increasingly complex process even more burdensome.

In general, the Fund advisor will oppose resolutions for equal access proposals.

12. Golden Parachutes

Golden parachutes are severance payments to top executives who are terminated or demoted pursuant to a takeover. Companies argue that such provisions are necessary to keep executives from "jumping ship" during potential takeover attempts.

The Fund advisor will <u>support</u> the right of shareholders to vote on golden parachutes because they go above and beyond ordinary compensation practices. In evaluating a particular golden parachute, we will examine total management compensation, the employees covered by the plan, and the quality of management.

- C. Mergers and Acquisitions
- 1. Considering the Non-Financial Effects of a Merger Proposal

Such a proposal allows or requires the Board to consider the impact of merger decisions on various "stakeholders," such as employees, communities, customers and business partners. This proposal gives the Board the right to reject a tender offer on the grounds that it would adversely affect the company's stakeholders.

The Fund advisor will support shareholder resolutions that consider non-financial impacts of mergers.

2. Mergers, Restructuring and Spin-offs

A merger, restructuring, or spin-off in some way affects a change in control of the company's assets. In evaluating the merit of each issue, we will consider the terms of each proposal. This will include an analysis of the potential long-term value of the investment.

The Fund advisor will <u>support</u> management proposals for merger or restructuring if the transaction appears to offer fair value and other proxy voting policies stated are not violated. For example, the advisor may oppose restructuring resolution which include in it significant takeover defenses and may again oppose the merger of a non-nuclear and a nuclear utility if it poses potential liabilities.

3. Poison Pills

Poison pills (or shareholder rights plans) are triggered by an unwanted takeover attempt and cause a variety of events to occur which may make the company financially less attractive to the suitor. Typically, directors have enacted these plans without shareholder approval. Most poison pill resolutions deal with putting poison pills up for a vote or repealing them altogether.

The Fund advisor will <u>support</u> proposals to put rights plans up for a shareholder vote. In general, poison pills will be <u>opposed</u> unless management is able to present a convincing case fur such a plan.

4. Anti-Greenmail Proposals

Greenmail is the payment a corporate raider receives in exchange for his/her shares. This payment is usually at a premium to the market price, so while greenmail can ensure the continued independence of the company, it discriminates against other shareholders.

The Fund advisor will generally support greenmail provisions.

5. Opt-Out of State Anti-Takeover Law

A strategy for dealing with anti-takeover issues has been a shareholder resolution asking for a company to opt-out of a particular state's anti-takeover laws.

The Fund advisor will generally <u>support</u> bylaws changes requiring a company to opt-out of state anti-takeover laws. However, resolutions requiring companies to opt-into state anti-takeover statutes will be <u>opposed</u>.

Item 8. Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies.

Information is presented as of July 31, 2018.

Portfolio Manager. Ms. Maria Eugenia Pichardo is the Portfolio Manager responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund, which includes making portfolio management decisions and executing transactions.

Ms. Pichardo has been the Fund's Portfolio Manager since the Fund's inception (1990). She is also the President and General Partner of Pichardo Asset Management, S.A. de C.V. ("PAM') (the Fund's Investment Adviser) since February 2003. Prior to starting PAM, from 1989 to 1990 she was General Director of Acci-Worldwide S.A. de C.V, a wholly owned asset management subsidiary of Acciones y Valores de Mexico, S. A. de C.V member of the Banamex Financial Group, subsidiary of Citigroup. Ms Pichardo was Managing Director and General Director of the International Sales Division of Acciones y Valores de Mexico, S. A. de C. V from 1983 to 1989.

Portfolio Manager Name	Registered Investment Company (dollar amount and number of accounts)	Other Pooled Investments (dollar amount and number of accounts)	Other Accounts (dollar amount and number of accounts)
Ms. Maria Eugenia Pichardo	\$92,343,559 (1)	\$13,531,148 (2)	\$40,000,000(1)

Material Conflict of Interest. The Portfolio Manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to other accounts and accordingly may be presented with potential or actual conflicts of interest. Conflicts of interest can arise in the allocation of securities to the various accounts when a security is purchased or sold over a period of time. "PAM" has established policies and procedures to avoid conflict of interest.

The management of other accounts may result in the Portfolio Manager devoting unequal time and attention to the management of the Fund and/or other accounts. In approving the Advisory Agreement, the Board of Directors was satisfied that the Portfolio Manager would be able to devote sufficient attention to the management of the Fund, and that PAM seeks to manage such competing interests for the time and attention of the portfolio manager.

Compensation. Ms. Pichardo receives a fixed annual salary and bonus from PAM.

Securities Owned in the Fund by Portfolio Manager. As of July 31, 2018, the Portfolio Manager owned the following securities in the Fund:

	Dollar Range of Equity Securities in the Fund	Aggregate Dollar Range of Securities in all
	Donar Range of Equity Securities in the Fund	Securities in an
Portfolio Manager	(None, \$1-\$10,000, \$10,001-\$50,000, \$50,001-\$100,000,	Registered Investment Companies
Name	\$100,001 - \$500,000, \$500,001 to \$1,000,000,	Overseen
	Over \$1,000,000)	by Portfolio Manager in Family of
		Investment Companies

Ms. Maria None Eugenia Pichardo

None

Item 9. Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers.

Period	(a) Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased	(b) Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit)	(c) Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	(d) Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
2/1/18 to 2/28/18	367,174 ⁽¹⁾	\$12.15	367,174	0
3/1/18 to 3/31/18	0	\$0.00	0	0
4/1/18 to 4/30/18	0	\$0.00	0	0

5/1/18 to 5/31/18	0	\$0.00	0	0
6/1/18 to 6/30/18	12,859 ⁽²⁾	\$10.22	0	0
7/1/18 to 7/31/18	29,555 ⁽²⁾	\$11.03	0	0
Total	409,588	\$11.83	0	0

⁽¹⁾ The Fund announced on January 19, 2018 that it was offering to purchase up to 5% of common shares outstanding of the Fund at 95% of the net asset value ("NAV") per common share on February 23, 2018. At the expiration of the offer on February 23, 2018, a total of 1,961,143 shares or approximately 26.71% of the Fund's outstanding common shares were validly tendered. As the total number of shares tendered exceeded the number of shares the Fund offered to purchase pursuant to the Offer, on a pro-rated basis, approximately 18.72% of the Fund's shares tendered by each tendering shareholder were accepted for payment. There were 367,174 shares accepted for payment at a price of \$12.15 per share (95% of the NAV per common share of \$12.79) or \$4,461,164.

⁽²⁾ 42,414 common shares were purchased pursuant to the Fund's Stock Repurchase Program.

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

There have been no material changes to the procedures by which shareholders may recommend nominees to the registrant's board of directors.

Item 11. Controls and Procedures.

The Registrant's President and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act")) as of a date within 90 days of the filing of this report, as required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the Act and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d 15(b) (a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Based on their review, such officers have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed in this report is appropriately recorded, processed, summarized and reported and made known to them by others within the Registrant and by the Registrant's service provider.

There were no changes in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) (b)under the Act) that occurred during the second fiscal quarter of the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 12. Disclosure of Securities Lending Activities for Closed-End Management Investment Companies

The registrant did not engage in securities lending activities during the fiscal period reported on this Form N-CSR.

Item 13. Exhibits.

(1) Any code of ethics or amendment thereto, that is the subject of the disclosure required by Item 2, to the extent(a) that the registrant intends to satisfy Item 2 requirements through filing an exhibit. Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form N-CSR filed October 9, 2012.

(2) A separate certification for each principal executive and principal financial officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Filed herewith.

(3) Any written solicitation to purchase securities under Rule 23c 1 under the Act sent or given during the period covered by the report by or on behalf of the registrant to 10 or more persons. None.

(4) Change in the registrant's independent public accountant. There was no change in the registrant's independent public accountant for the period covered by this report.

(b)Certifications pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002. Furnished herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc.

By (Signature and Title)* <u>/s/ Maria Eugenia Pichardo</u> Maria Eugenia Pichardo, President

Date October 4, 2018

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title)* <u>/s/ Maria Eugenia Pichardo</u> Maria Eugenia Pichardo, President

Date October 4, 2018

By (Signature and Title)* <u>/s/ Arnulfo Rodriguez</u> Arnulfo Rodriguez, Chief Financial Officer

Date October 4, 2018

* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.