

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q	
☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT	OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended January 31, 2018	
or	
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT	OF 1934
For the transition period from to _	
Commission File Number 001-14505	
KORN/FERRY INTERNAT	IONAL
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in i	its Charter)
Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	95-2623879 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1900 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 2600, Los Angeles (Address of principal executive offices) (Zig	
(310) 552-1834 (Registrant's telephone number, including ar	rea code)
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has be Yes \square No \square	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (\S 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 r submit and post such files). Yes \square No \square	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, anon-accompany. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company	
Large accelerated filer ☑	Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer \Box (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company □ Emerging growth company □
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the exteaccounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box	ended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Excha	ange Act). Yes □ No ☑
The number of charge outstanding of our common stock as of March 5, 2019 was 56,524,027 shares	



KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL

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Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements

KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	January 31, 2018 (unaudited)			April 30, 2017
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ASSETS	,	inouounuo, exo	opt por t	onare data,
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	389,990	\$	410,882
Marketable securities		14,807		4,363
Receivables due from clients, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$17,990 and \$15,455 at January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017,				
respectively		397,845		345,314
Income taxes and other receivables		25,985		31,573
Prepaid expenses and other assets		63,409		51,542
Total current assets		892,036		843,674
Marketable securities, non-current		124,196		115,574
Property and equipment, net		116,767		109,567
Cash surrender value of company owned life insurance policies, net of loans		118,248		113,067
Deferred income taxes, net		23,222		20,175
Goodwill		586,561		576,865
Intangible assets, net Investments and other assets		206,733 98,769		217,319 66.657
Total assets	\$	2,166,532	\$	2,062,898
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Accounts payable	\$	28,359	\$	37,481
Income taxes payable		17,128		4,526
Compensation and benefits payable		234,411		248,354
Term loan		23,192		19,754
Other accrued liabilities		163,784		148,464
Total current liabilities		466,874		458,579
Deferred compensation and other retirement plans		233,595		219,905
Term loan, non-current		217,969		236,222
Deferred tax liabilities		7,619		7,014
Other liabilities		59,581		54,130
Total liabilities		985,638		975,850
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock: \$0.01 par value, 150,000 shares authorized, 71,606 and 70,811 shares issued at January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017,				
respectively and 56,518 and 56,938 shares outstanding at January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively		679,277		692,527
Retained earnings		537,353		461,976
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net		(38,671)		(71,064)
Total Korn/Ferry International stockholders' equity		1,177,959		1,083,439
Noncontrolling interest		2,935		3,609
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,166,532	\$	2,062,898
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(unaudited)

			Months Ended nuary 31,			Nine Mon Janua	ded	
		2018		2017		2018		2017
		(in thousands, except per share data)						
Fee revenue	\$	447,581	\$	381,918	\$	1,291,853	\$	1,159,456
Reimbursed out-of-pocket engagement expenses		13,189		12,277		39,302		42,626
Total revenue		460,770		394,195		1,331,155		1,202,082
Compensation and benefits		310,751		262,438		885,748		796,014
General and administrative expenses		58,516		56,818		175,380		166,294
Reimbursed expenses		13,189		12,277		39,302		42,626
Cost of services		17,467		16,545		53,163		52,251
Depreciation and amortization		12,225		11,774		36,881		34,970
Restructuring charges, net				3,801		78		28,321
Total operating expenses		412,148		363,653		1,190,552		1,120,476
Operating income		48,622		30,542		140,603		81,606
Other income, net		7,689		4,200		14,847		7,580
Interest expense, net		(2,665)		(2,402)		(7,904)		(8,199)
Income before provision for income taxes and equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries		53,646		32,340		147,546		80,987
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net		97		113		187		221
Income tax provision		26,316		8,075		54,145		21,706
Net income		27,427		24,378		93,588		59,502
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(180)		(481)		(969)		(2,245)
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International	\$	27,247	\$	23,897	\$	92,619	\$	57,257
Earnings per common share:								
Basic	\$	0.49	\$	0.42	\$	1.65	\$	1.01
Diluted	•	0.48	•	0.42	6	1.63	•	1.00
Diluted	3	0.48	3	0.42	3	1.03	3	1.00
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:		55.050		56 150		55.450		56.225
Basic		55,252		56,173		55,479		56,325
Diluted		55,997		56,702		56,236		56,917
Cash dividends declared per share:	\$	0.10	\$	0.10	\$	0.30	\$	0.30

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KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(unaudited)

	_	Three Mon Janua	ry 31,	Nine Mont Januar	y 31,	
		2018	2017	2018	2017	
			(in th	ousands)		
Net income	\$	27,427	\$ 24,378	\$ 93,588	\$ 59,502	
Other comprehensive income:						
Foreign currency translation adjustments		17,839	(1,583)	29,773	(20,016)	
Deferred compensation and pension plan adjustments, net of tax		361	465	1,065	1,392	
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap, net of tax		1,077		1,470		
Comprehensive income		46,704	23,260	125,896	40,878	
Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(226)	(219)	(884)	(1,809)	
Comprehensive income attributable to Korn/Ferry International	\$	46,478	\$ 23,041	\$ 125,012	\$ 39,069	



KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited)

	Nine Months January			ded
	2	2018		2017
		(in thou	ısands)	-
Cash flows from operating activities:	6	02.500	•	50.502
Net income	\$	93,588	3	59,502
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation and amortization		36.881		34,970
Stock-based compensation expense		15,800		34,970 14.101
Stock-based compensation expense Provision for doubtful accounts		9,933		8,373
Gain on cash surrender value of life insurance policies		(6,020)		(3,316)
Gain on marketable securities		(14,022)		(7,090)
Deferred income taxes		5,373		7,812
Change in other assets and liabilities:		3,373		7,012
Deferred compensation		25,587		(22)
Receivables due from clients		(62,464)		(35,503)
Income tax and other receivables		4,445		(3,249)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(11,867)		(8,882)
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries		(11,007)		(221)
Income taxes payable		18,217		(3,450)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(15,569)		(45,891)
Other		(40,103)		(3,393)
Net cash provided by operating activities		59,592		13,741
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchase of property and equipment		(31,133)		(41,616)
Cash paid for acquisition, net of cash acquired		_		(2,880)
Purchase of marketable securities		(7,462)		(9,526)
Proceeds from sales/maturities of marketable securities		2,515		42,533
Premium on company-owned life insurance policies		(1,339)		(1,337)
Proceeds from life insurance policies		5,175		
Dividends received from unconsolidated subsidiaries		60		455
Net cash used in investing activities		(32,184)		(12,371)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from term loan facility		_		275,000
Principal payment on term loan facility		(15,469)		(150,313)
Payment of contingent consideration from acquisition		(485)		(1,070)
Repurchases of common stock		(32,568)		(16,318)
Payments of tax withholdings on restricted stock		(3,657)		(4,377)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock upon exercise of employee stock options and in connection with an employee stock purchase plan		6,885		4,981
Dividends – noncontrolling interest		(1,558)		(1,229)
Dividends paid to shareholders		(17,242)		(17,546)
Payments on life insurance policy loans		(464)		
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(64,558)		89,128
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		16,258		(12,445)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(20,892)		78,053
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		410,882		273,252
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	389,990	\$	351,305

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



KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS January 31, 2018

1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Business

Korn/Ferry International, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and its subsidiaries are engaged in the business of providing talent management solutions, including executive search on a retained basis, recruitment for non-executive professionals, recruitment process outsourcing and leadership & talent consulting services.

Basis of Consolidation and Presentation

The accompanying financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2017 for the Company and its wholly and majority owned/controlled domestic and international subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements conform with United States ("U.S.") generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and prevailing practice within the industry. The consolidated financial statements include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals and any other adjustments that management considers necessary for a fair presentation of the results for these periods. The results of operations for the interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results for the entire fiscal year.

Investments in affiliated companies, which are 50% or less owned and where the Company exercises significant influence over operations, are accounted for using the equity method.

The Company has control of a Mexico subsidiary and consolidates the operations of this subsidiary. Noncontrolling interest, which represents the Company's 51% noncontrolling interest in the Mexico subsidiary, is reflected on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

The Company considers events or transactions that occur after the balance sheet date but before the consolidated financial statements are issued to provide additional evidence relative to certain estimates or to identify matters that require additional disclosures.

Use of Estimates and Uncertainties

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates and changes in estimates are reported in current operations as new information is learned or upon the amounts becoming fixed and determinable. The most significant areas that require management judgment are revenue recognition, restructuring, deferred compensation, annual performance related bonuses, evaluation of the carrying value of receivables, goodwill and other intangible assets, fair value of contingent consideration, share-based payments and the recoverability of deferred income taxes.

Revenue Recognition

Substantially all fee revenue is derived from fees for professional services related to executive search performed on a retained basis, recruitment fonon-executive professionals, recruitment process outsourcing, people and organizational advisory services and the sale of product services. Fee revenue from executive search activities and recruitment for non-executive professionals is generally one-third of the estimated first year compensation of the placed executive ornon-executive professional, as applicable, plus a percentage of the fee to cover indirect engagement related expenses. The Company generally recognizes such revenue on a straight-line basis over a three-month period, commencing upon client acceptance, as this is the period over which the recruitment services are performed. Fees earned in excess of the initial contract amount are recognized upon completion of the engagement, which reflect the difference between the final actual compensation of the placed executive and the estimate used for purposes of the previous billings. Since the initial contract fees are typically not contingent upon placement of a candidate, our assumptions primarily relate to establishing the period over which such service is performed. These assumptions determine the timing of revenue recognition and profitability for the reported period. Any revenues associated with services that are provided on a contingent basis are recognized once the contingency is resolved. In addition to recruitment for non-executive professionals, Futurestep provides recruitment process outsourcing ("RPO") services and fee revenue is recognized as services are rendered and/or as milestones are achieved. Fee revenue from Hay Group (formerly known as Leadership & Talent Consulting ("Legacy LTC") which was combined with HG (Luxembourg) S.à.r.I ("Legacy Hay") in December 2015) is recognized as services are rendered for consulting engagements and other time-based services, measured by total hours incurred to the total estimated hours at completion. It is



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Depending on the timing of billings and services rendered, the Company accrues or defers revenue as appropriate. Hay Group revenue is also derived from the sale of product services, which includes revenue from licenses and from the sale of products. Revenue from licenses is recognized using a straight-line method over the term of the contract (generally 12 months). Under fixed term licenses, the Company is obligated to provide the licensee with access to any updates to the underlying intellectual property that are made by the Company during the term of the license. Once the term of the agreement expires, the client's right to access or use the intellectual property expires and the Company has no further obligations to the client under the license agreement. Revenue from perpetual licenses is recognized when the license is sold since the Company's only obligation is to provide the client access to the intellectual property but is not obligated to provide maintenance, support, updates or upgrades. Products sold by the Company mainly consist of books and automated services covering a variety of topics including performance management, team effectiveness, and coaching and development. The Company recognizes revenue for its products when the product has been sold or shipped in the case of books. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the Company included deferred revenue of \$110.9 million and \$95.8 million, respectively, in other accrued liabilities.

Reimbursements

The Company incurs certain out-of-pocket expenses that are reimbursed by its clients, which are accounted for as revenue in its consolidated statements of income.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

An allowance is established for doubtful accounts by taking a charge to general and administrative expenses. The amount of the allowance is based on historical loss experience, assessment of the collectability of specific accounts, as well as expectations of future collections based upon trends and the type of work for which services are rendered. After the Company exhausts all collection efforts, the amount of the allowance is reduced for balances identified as uncollectible.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the Company's investments in cash equivalents consist of money market funds for which market prices are readily available.

Marketable Securities

The Company currently has investments in mutual funds that are classified as trading securities based upon management's intent and ability to hold, sell or trade such securities. The classification of the investments in mutual funds is assessed upon purchase and reassessed at each reporting period. The investments in mutual funds (for which market prices are readily available) are held in trust to satisfy obligations under the Company's deferred compensation plans. Such investments are based upon the employees' investment elections in their deemed accounts in the Executive Capital Accumulation Plan and similar plans in Asia Pacific and Canada ("ECAP") from a pre-determined set of securities and the Company invests in marketable securities to mirror these elections. These investments are recorded at fair value and are classified as marketable securities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The investments that the Company may sell within the next twelve months are carried as current assets. Realized gains (losses) on marketable securities are determined by specific identification. Interest is recognized on an accrual basis; dividends are recorded as earned on the ex-dividend date. Interest, dividend income and the changes in fair value in trading securities are recorded in the accompanying consolidated statements of income in other income, net.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value is the price the Company would receive to sell an asset or transfer a liability (exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants. For those assets and liabilities recorded or disclosed at fair value, the Company determines the fair value based upon the quoted market price, if available. If a quoted market price is not available for identical assets, the fair value is based upon the quoted market price of similar assets. The fair values are assigned a level within the fair value hierarchy as defined below:

- Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions.

As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the Company held certain assets that are required to be measured at fair value on a recurring basis. These included cash, cash equivalents, accounts receivable, marketable securities, foreign currency forward contracts and an interest rate swap. The carrying amount of cash, cash equivalents and accounts receivable approximates fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments. The fair values of marketable securities classified as trading are obtained



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from quoted market prices and the fair values of foreign currency forward contracts or the interest rate swap are obtained from a third party, which are based on quoted prices or market prices for similar assets and financial instruments.

Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk due to the outstanding senior secured credit agreement entered on June 15, 2016. The Company has entered into an interest rate swap agreement to effectively convert its variable debt to a fixed-rate basis. The principal objective of these contracts is to eliminate or reduce the variability of the cash flows in interest payments associated with the Company's long-term debt, thus reducing the impact of interest rate changes on future interest payment cash flows. The Company has determined that the interest rate swap qualifies as a cash flow hedge in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*. Changes in the fair value of an interest rate swap agreement designated as a cash flow hedge are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net within stockholders' equity and are amortized to interest expense over the term of the related debt.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts Not Designated as Hedges

The Company has established a program that primarily utilizes foreign currency forward contracts to offset the risks associated with the effects of certain foreign currency exposures. These foreign currency forward contracts are neither used for trading purposes nor are they designated as hedging instruments pursuant to Accounting Standards Codification 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*. Accordingly, the fair value of these contracts is recorded as of the end of the reporting period in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets, while the change in fair value is recorded to the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

Business Acquisitions

Business acquisitions are accounted for under the acquisition method. The acquisition method requires the reporting entity to identify the acquirer, determine the acquisition date, recognize and measure the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquired entity and recognize and measure goodwill or a gain from the purchase. The acquiree's results are included in the Company's consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at their fair values and the excess of the purchase price over the amounts assigned is recorded as goodwill, or if the fair value of the assets acquired exceeds the purchase price consideration, a bargain purchase gain is recorded. Adjustments to fair value assessments are generally recorded to goodwill over the measurement period (not longer than twelve months). The acquisition method also requires that acquisition-related transaction and post-acquisition restructuring costs be charged to expense as committed and requires the Company to recognize and measure certain assets and liabilities including those arising from contingencies and contingent consideration in a business combination.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of assets acquired. The goodwill impairment test compares the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds its fair value, goodwill of the reporting unit would be considered impaired. To measure the amount of the impairment loss, the implied fair value of a reporting unit's goodwill is compared to the carrying amount of that goodwill. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined in the same manner as the amount of goodwill recognized in a business combination. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit's goodwill exceeds the implied fair value of that goodwill, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess. For each of these tests, the fair value of each of the Company's reporting units is determined using a combination of valuation techniques, including a discounted cash flow methodology. To corroborate the discounted cash flow analysis performed at each reporting unit, a market approach is utilized using observable market data such as comparable companies in similar lines of business that are publicly traded or which are part of a public or private transaction (to the extent available). Results of the annual impairment test performed as of January 31, 2017, indicated that the fair value of each reporting unit exceeded its carrying amount and no reporting units were at risk of failing the impairment test. As a result, no impairment charge was recognized. The Company's annual impairment test will be performed in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018. There was also no indication of potential impairment as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017 that would have required further testing.

Intangible assets primarily consist of customer lists,non-compete agreements, proprietary databases, intellectual property and trademarks and are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of acquisition and are amortized in a pattern in which the asset is consumed if that pattern can be reliably determined, or using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives which range from one to 24 years. For intangible assets subject to amortization, an impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of the intangible assets is not recoverable and exceeds fair value. The carrying amount of the intangible assets is considered not recoverable if it exceeds the sum of the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from use of the asset. Intangible assets with indefinite lives are not amortized, but are reviewed annually for impairment or more frequently whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the fair value of the asset may be less than its carrying amount. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, there were no indicators of impairment with respect to the Company's intangible assets.



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Compensation and Benefits Expense

Compensation and benefits expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of income consist of compensation and benefits paid to consultants (employees who originate business), executive officers and administrative and support personnel. The most significant portions of this expense are salaries and the amounts paid under the annual performance related bonus plan to employees. The portion of the expense applicable to salaries is comprised of amounts earned by employees during a reporting period. The portion of the expenses applicable to annual performance related bonuses refers to the Company's annual employee performance related bonus with respect to a fiscal year, the amount of which is communicated and paid to each eligible employee following the completion of the fiscal year.

Each quarter, management makes its best estimate of its annual performance related bonuses, which requires management to, among other things, project annual consultant productivity (as measured by engagement fees billed and collected by executive search consultants and revenue and other performance/profitability metrics for Hay Group and Futurestep consultants), the level of engagements referred by a consultant in one line of business to a different line of business, Company performance including profitability, competitive forces and future economic conditions and their impact on the Company's results. At the end of each fiscal year, annual performance related bonuses take into account final individual consultant productivity (including referred work), Company/line of business results including profitability, the achievement of strategic objectives, the results of individual performance appraisals and the current economic landscape. Accordingly, each quarter the Company reevaluates the assumptions used to estimate annual performance related bonus liability and adjusts the carrying amount of the liability recorded on the consolidated balance sheet and reports any changes in the estimate in current operations.

Because annual performance-based bonuses are communicated and paid only after the Company reports its full fiscal year results, actual performance-based bonus payments may differ from the prior year's estimate. Such changes in the bonus estimate historically have been immaterial and are recorded in current operations in the period in which they are determined. The performance related bonus expense was \$155.2 million and \$136.2 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, included in compensation and benefits expense in the consolidated statements of income. During the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, the performance related bonus expense was \$56.8 million and \$41.1 million, respectively.

Other expenses included in compensation and benefits expense are due to changes in deferred compensation and pension plan liabilities, changes in cash surrender value ("CSV") of company owned life insurance ("COLI") contracts, amortization of stock compensation awards, payroll taxes and employee insurance benefits. Investments and other assets include long-term retention awards that are generally amortized over four to five years.

Restructuring Charges, Net

The Company accounts for its restructuring charges as a liability when the obligations are incurred and records such charges at fair value. Such charges included ne-time employee termination benefits and the cost to terminate an office lease including remaining lease payments. Changes in the estimates of the restructuring charges are recorded in the period the change is determined.

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company has employee compensation plans under which various types of stock-based instruments are granted. These instruments principally include restricted stock units, restricted stock and an Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"). The Company recognizes compensation expense related to restricted stock units, restricted stock and the estimated fair value of stock purchases under the ESPP on a straight-line basis over the service period for the entire award.

Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

In March 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") issued guidance on accounting for certain aspects of share-based payments to employees. The new guidance requires excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies to be recorded in the income statement when the awards vest or are settled. Furthermore, cash flows related to excess tax benefits will no longer be separately classified as a financing activity apart from other income tax cash flows. The guidance also allows companies to repurchase more of an employee's shares for tax withholding purposes without triggering liability accounting, clarifying that all cash payments made on an employee's behalf for withheld shares should be presented as a financing activity in the consolidated statements of cash flows and provides an accounting policy election to account for forfeitures as they occur. The provisions of the guidance are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016 and were adopted by the Company effective May 1, 2017. The primary impact of the adoption was the recognition of excess tax benefits in our provision for income taxes in the current year compared to recording it previously as a component of equity. Additional amendments to the accounting for income taxes and minimum statutory withholding tax requirements had no impact to retained earnings, where the cumulative effect of these changes are required to be recorded. The Company elected to apply the presentation for cash flows related to excess tax benefits retrospectively for all periods presented which resulted in minimal impact to cash used in operations and cash provided



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by financing activities for the nine months ended January 31, 2017. The presentation requirements for cash flows related to employee taxes paid for withheld shares had no impact on any of the periods presented on our consolidated cash flows statements since such cash flows have historically been presented as a financing activity. The Company elected to account for forfeitures as they occur, rather than estimating the expected forfeitures over the vesting period. This election did not have an impact on the Company's financial statements.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards - Not Yet Adopted

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, which superseded revenue recognition requirements regarding contracts with customers to transfer goods or services or for the transfer of nonfinancial assets. Under this new guidance, entities are required to recognize revenue that depicts the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The guidance provides a five-step analysis to be performed on transactions to determine when and how revenue is recognized. In addition, the guidance permits companies to choose between the following two transition methods of adopting ASU 2014-09: (1) the full retrospective method, in which case the standard would be applied to all reporting periods presented and (2) the modified retrospective method, with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption.

The new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those annual years beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company will adopt this guidance in its fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018 and expects to apply the modified retrospective method in adopting ASU 2014-09. The Company organized a team and developed a project plan to guide the implementation. The project plan includes working sessions to review, evaluate and document the arrangements with customers under our various reporting units to identify potential differences that would result from applying the requirements of the new standard.

The Company has completed its initial evaluation of the impact of ASU2014-09 on executive search activities and recruitment fornon-executive professionals and recruitment process outsourcing. As to executive search and recruitment for non-executive professionals we expect the implementation of ASU2014-09 to result in timing differences in the recognition of uptick revenue (uptick revenue occurs when a placement's actual compensation is higher than the original estimated compensation). Currently the Company recognizes uptick revenue as the amount becomes fixed and determinable. Under ASU 2014-09, however, upticks are considered variable consideration and the Company will be required to estimate upticks at contract inception and recognize the revenue over the service period. Based on our initial evaluation the impact of ASU 2014-09 on the recruitment process outsourcing revenue stream is not expected to be material. The Company expects to finalize its evaluation of the impact of ASU No. 2014-09 by the end of the fiscal year.

In February 2016, the FASB issued guidance on accounting for leases that generally requires all leases to be recognized on the consolidated balance sheet. The provisions of the guidance are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018 and early adoption is permitted. The Company plans to adopt this guidance in fiscal year beginning May 1, 2019. The provisions of the guidance are to be applied using a modified retrospective approach. The Company is still evaluating the effect this guidance will have on the consolidated financial statements. Based on our initial assessment, the Company expects that upon adoption it will report an increase in assets and liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet as a result of recognizing right-of-use assets and lease liabilities related to lease agreements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued guidance on the classification of certain cash receipts and cash payments in the statement of cash flows. The new guidance provides clarification on specific cash flow issues regarding presentation and classification in the statement of cash flows with the objective of reducing the existing diversity in practice. The amendments in this update are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The Company plans to adopt this guidance in its fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018. The provisions of the guidance are to be applied using a retrospective transition method. The adoption of this guidance is not anticipated to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In January 2017, the FASB issued guidance that clarifies the definition of a business. The new guidance assists a company when evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (disposals) of assets or businesses. The provisions of the guidance require that if the fair value of the gross assets acquired (or disposed of) is substantially concentrated in a single identifiable asset or a group of similar identifiable assets, then it is not a business. The provisions of the guidance are effective for annual years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods, with early adoption permitted. The Company plans to adopt this guidance in its fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018. The provisions of the guidance are to be applied prospectively. The adoption of this guidance is not anticipated to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements

In January 2017, the FASB issued guidance simplifying the test for goodwill impairment. The new guidance simplifies the test for goodwill impairment by removing Step 2 from the goodwill impairment test. Companies will now perform the goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, recognizing an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value not to exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. An entity still has the option to perform the qualitative assessment for a reporting unit to determine if the quantitative impairment test is necessary. The amendments of this standard are effective for goodwill impairment tests in fiscal



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years beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted for goodwill impairment tests performed after January 1, 2017. The Company is evaluating the adoption timeline and the effects that the standard will have on the consolidated financial statements.

In March 2017, the FASB issued guidance that changes the presentation of net periodic pension cost and net periodic postretirement benefit cost. The new guidance will change the presentation of net periodic benefit cost related to employer sponsored defined benefit plans and other postretirement benefits. Service cost will be included within the same income statement line item as other compensation costs arising from services rendered during the period, while other components of net periodic benefit pension cost will be presented separately outside of operating income. Additionally, only service costs may be capitalized in assets. The amendments of this standard are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those years. The Company will adopt this guidance in its fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018. The adoption of this standard is not anticipated to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued guidance clarifying the scope of modification accounting for stock compensation. The new standard provides guidance about which changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award require an entity to apply modification accounting in Topic 718. This pronouncement is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, but early adoption is permitted. The Company will adopt this guidance in its fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this guidance.

In August 2017, the FASB issued guidance amending and simplifying accounting for hedging activities. The new guidance will refine and expand strategies that qualify for hedge accounting and simplify the application of hedge accounting in certain situations. The amendments of this standard are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. The Company will adopt this guidance in its fiscal year beginning May 1, 2019. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this quidance.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02 which provides companies the option to reclassify stranded tax effects within accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net to retained earnings resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"). The new guidance requires companies to disclose whether they decided to reclassify the income tax effects of the Tax Act from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net to retained earnings and to disclose a policy for releasing the income tax effects from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net. The guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, but early adoption is permitted. If companies elect to reclassify the stranded tax effects the guidance allows it to be recorded in the period of adoption or retrospectively to each period in which the effect of the Tax Act is recognized. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this guidance.

2. Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share

Accounting Standards Codification 260, Earnings Per Share, requires companies to treat unvested share-based payment awards that havenon-forfeitable rights to dividends prior to vesting as a separate class of securities in calculating earnings per share. We have granted and expect to continue to grant to certain employees under our restricted stock agreements, grants that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends. Such grants are considered participating securities. Therefore, we are required to apply the two-class method in calculating earnings per share. Thetwo-class method of computing earnings per share is an earnings allocation formula that determines earnings per share for each class of common stock and participating security according to dividends declared (or accumulated) and participation rights in undistributed earnings. The dilutive effect of participating securities is calculated using the more dilutive of the treasury method or the two-class method.

Basic earnings per common share was computed using thetwo-class method by dividing basic net earnings attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per common share was computed using the two-class method by dividing diluted net earnings attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding plus dilutive common equivalent shares. Dilutive common equivalent shares include all in-the-money outstanding options or other contracts to issue common stock as if they were exercised or converted. Financial instruments that are not in the form of common stock, but when converted into common stock increase earnings per share are anti-dilutive and are not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share.

During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, restricted stock awards of 0.6 million were outstanding, but not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because they were anti-dilutive. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, restricted stock awards of 0.5 million and 0.6 million were outstanding, respectively, but not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because they were anti-dilutive.



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The following table summarizes basic and diluted earnings per common share attributable to common stockholders:

	Three Months Ended January 31,			Nine Month January				
		2018		2017		2018		2017
		(ir	ı the t	housands, e	cept	per share da	ita)	
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Less: distributed and undistributed earnings to nonvested restricted stockholders	\$	27,247 295	\$	23,897 227	\$	92,619 982	\$	57,257 505
Basic net earnings attributable to common stockholders Add: undistributed earnings to nonvested restricted stockholders		26,952 235		23,670 172		91,637 804		56,752 356
Less: reallocation of undistributed earnings to nonvested restricted stockholders		232		171		793		353
Diluted net earnings attributable to common stockholders	\$	26,955	\$	23,671	\$	91,648	\$	56,755
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:								
Basic weighted-average number of common shares outstanding Effect of dilutive securities:		55,252		56,173		55,479		56,325
Restricted stock		738		505		744		540
Stock options		3		20		6		24
ESPP		4		4		7		28
Diluted weighted-average number of common shares outstanding	=	55,997	=	56,702	=	56,236		56,917
Net earnings per common share:								
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.49	\$	0.42	\$	1.65	\$	1.01
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.48	\$	0.42	\$	1.63	\$	1.00

3. Stockholders' Equity

The following table summarizes the changes in stockholders' equity for the three months ended January 31, 2018:

	Inte Sto	Korn/Ferry ernational ckholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interest (in thousands)			Total ockholders' Equity
Balance as of October 31, 2017	\$	1,132,014	\$	2,709	\$	1,134,723
Comprehensive income (loss):						
Net income		27,247		180		27,427
Foreign currency translation adjustments		17,793		46		17,839
Deferred compensation and pension plan adjustments, net of tax		361		_		361
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap, net of tax		1,077		_		1,077
Dividends paid to shareholders		(5,705)		_		(5,705)
Purchase of stock		(3,503)		_		(3,503)
Issuance of stock		3,412		_		3,412
Stock-based compensation		5,263				5,263
Balance as of January 31, 2018	\$	1,177,959	\$	2,935	\$	1,180,894



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The following table summarizes the changes in stockholders' equity for the nine months ended January 31, 2018:

	Total Korn/Ferry International Stockholders' Equity		ll s' Noncontrolling Interest		Total ockholders' Equity
Palance on of April 20, 2017	\$	1,083,439	(in thousands)	¢.	1,087,048
Balance as of April 30, 2017 Comprehensive income (loss):	Φ	1,000,409	\$ 3,609	Ф	1,007,040
Net income		92,619	969		93,588
Foreign currency translation adjustments		29,858	(85)		29,773
Deferred compensation and pension plan adjustments, net of tax		1,065	_		1,065
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap, net of tax		1,470	_		1,470
Dividends paid to shareholders		(17,242)	_		(17,242)
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest		_	(1,558)		(1,558)
Purchase of stock		(36,225)	_		(36,225)
Issuance of stock		7,998	_		7,998
Stock-based compensation		14,977			14,977
Balance as of January 31, 2018	\$	1,177,959	\$ 2,935	\$	1,180,894

The following table summarizes the changes in stockholders' equity for the three months ended January 31, 2017:

	In	al Korn/Ferry ternational ockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interest	Sto	Total ockholders' Equity
Polyana and Color and Color	•	4.050.550	(in thousands)	•	4.054.444
Balance as of October 31, 2016 Comprehensive income (loss):	\$	1,050,553	\$ 3,591	\$	1,054,144
Net income		23,897	481		24,378
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(1,321)	(262)		(1,583)
Deferred compensation and pension plan adjustments, net of tax		465	· —		465
Dividends paid to shareholders		(5,796)	_		(5,796)
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest		· —	(1,229)		(1,229)
Purchase of stock		(9,578)	· —		(9,578)
Issuance of stock		2,778	_		2,778
Stock-based compensation		4,406	_		4,406
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock		17	_		17
Balance as of January 31, 2017	\$	1,065,421	\$ 2,581	\$	1,068,002

The following table summarizes the changes in stockholders' equity for the nine months ended January 31, 2017:

	Inte	Korn/Ferry ernational			Total
		kholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interest	510	ckholders' Equity
		Lquity	(in thousands)		Lquity
Balance as of April 30, 2016	\$	1,045,300	\$ 2,001	\$	1,047,301
Comprehensive income (loss):					
Net income		57,257	2,245		59,502
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(19,580)	(436)		(20,016)
Deferred compensation and pension plan adjustments, net of tax		1,392	_		1,392
Dividends paid to shareholders		(17,546)	_		(17,546)
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest		_	(1,229)		(1,229)
Purchase of stock		(20,695)	· —		(20,695)
Issuance of stock		5,746	_		5,746
Stock-based compensation		13,497	_		13,497
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock		50			50
Balance as of January 31, 2017	\$	1,065,421	\$ 2,581	\$	1,068,002



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4. Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income is comprised of net income and all changes to stockholders' equity, except those changes resulting from investments by stockholders (changes in paid in capital) and distributions to stockholders (dividends) and is reported in the accompanying consolidated statements of comprehensive income. Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes, is recorded as a component of stockholders' equity.

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net were as follows:

	January 31,	April 30,
	2018	2017
	(in tho	ousands)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (25,501)	\$ (55,359)
Deferred compensation and pension plan adjustments, net of tax	(14,062)	(15,127)
Interest rate swap unrealized gain (loss), net of taxes	892	(578)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net	\$ (38,671)	\$ (71,064)

The following table summarizes the changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net for the three months ended January 31, 2018:

	Cı	Foreign Compensa Currency and Pens Translation Plan (1			(Lo on l	Jnrealized esses) Gains Interest Rate Swap (2)	Con	cumulated Other nprehensive ome (Loss)						
										(in the	ousa	nds)		
Balance as of October 31, 2017	\$	(43,294)	\$	(14,423)	\$	(185)	\$	(57,902)						
Unrealized gains arising during the period		17,793				973		18,766						
Reclassification of realized net losses to net income		· —		361		104		465						
Balance as of January 31, 2018	\$	(25,501)	\$	(14,062)	\$	892	\$	(38,671)						

The following table summarizes the changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net for the nine months ended January 31, 2018:

	Cı	oreign urrency inslation	Deferred npensation d Pension Plan (1)	(Los on li	nrealized sses) Gains nterest Rate Swap (2)	Comp	imulated Other rehensive ne (Loss)	
				(in th	ousar	nds)		
Balance as of April 30, 2017	\$	(55,359)	\$	(15,127)	\$	(578)	\$	(71,064)
Unrealized gains arising during the period		29,858				1,061		30,919
Reclassification of realized net losses to net income				1,065		409		1,474
Balance as of January 31, 2018	\$	(25,501)	\$	(14,062)	\$	892	\$	(38,671)

⁽¹⁾ The tax effect on the reclassifications of realized net losses was \$0.2 million and \$0.7 million for the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, respectively.

⁽²⁾ The tax effect on unrealized gains was \$0.6 million and \$0.6 million for the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, respectively. The tax effect on the reclassification of realized net losses to net income was \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million for the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, respectively.



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The following table summarizes the changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net for the three months ended January 31, 2017:

	С	Foreign currency anslation	Comp and F	ferred ensation Pension an (1)	Com	cumulated Other prehensive ome (Loss)
			(in th	ousands)		
Balance as of October 31, 2016	\$	(54,598)	\$	(20,645)	\$	(75,243)
Unrealized losses arising during the period		(1,321)				(1,321)
Reclassification of realized net losses to net income		` _		465		465
Balance as of January 31, 2017	\$	(55,919)	\$	(20,180)	\$	(76,099)

The following table summarizes the changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net for the nine months ended January 31, 2017:

	С	Foreign urrency anslation	Com and	Deferred npensation d Pension Plan (1)	Con	cumulated Other oprehensive ome (Loss)
			(in	thousands)		
Balance as of April 30, 2016	\$	(36,339)	\$	(21,572)	\$	(57,911)
Unrealized losses arising during the period		(19,580)		_		(19,580)
Reclassification of realized net losses to net income				1,392		1,392
Balance as of January 31, 2017	\$	(55,919)	\$	(20,180)	\$	(76,099)

⁽¹⁾ The tax effect on the reclassifications of realized net losses was \$0.3 million and \$0.9 million for the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, respectively.

5. Employee Stock Plans

Stock-Based Compensation

The following table summarizes the components of stock-based compensation expense recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of income for the periods indicated:

	7	Three Mor Janua				Nine Mon Janua		
	2018 2017					2018		2017
				(in th	ousai	nds)		
Restricted stock	\$	5,263	\$	4,406	\$	14,977	\$	13,497
ESPP		254		175		823		604
Total stock-based compensation expense, pre-tax		5,517		4,581		15,800		14,101
Tax benefit from stock-based compensation expense		(2,750)		(1,111)		(5,798)		(3,778)
Total stock-based compensation expense, net of tax	\$	2,767	\$	3,470	\$	10,002	\$	10,323

Stock Incentive Plans

At the Company's 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, held on October 6, 2016, the Company's stockholders approved an amendment and restatement to the Korn/Ferry International Amended and Restated 2008 Stock Incentive Plan (the 2016 amendment and restatement being "The Third A&R 2008 Plan"), which among other things, increased the number of shares under the plan by 5,500,000 shares, increasing the current maximum number of shares that may be issued under the plan to 11,200,000 shares, subject to certain changes in the Company's capital structure and other extraordinary events. The Third A&R 2008 Plan provides for the grant of awards to eligible participants, designated as either nonqualified or incentive stock options, restricted stock and restricted stock units, any of which may be performance-based or market-based, and incentive bonuses, which may be paid in cash or stock or a combination thereof. Under the Third A&R 2008 Plan, the ability to issue full-value awards is limited by requiring full-value stock awards to count 2.3 times as much as stock options.



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Restricted Stock

The Company grants time-based restricted stock awards to executive officers and other senior employees generally vesting over a four-year period. In addition, certain key management members typically receive time-based restricted stock awards upon commencement of employment and may receive them annually in conjunction with the Company's performance review. Time-based restricted stock awards are granted at a price equal to fair value, which is determined based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. The Company recognizes compensation expense for time-based restricted stock awards on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

The Company also grants market-based and performance-based restricted stock units to executive officers and other senior employees. The market-based units vest after three years depending upon the Company's total stockholder return over the three-year performance period relative to other companies in its selected peer group. The fair value of these market-based restricted stock units is determined by using extensive market data that is based on historical Company and peer group information. The Company recognizes compensation expense for market-based restricted stock units on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

Performance-based restricted stock units vest after three years depending upon the Company meeting certain objectives that are set at the time the restricted stock unit is issued. Performance-based restricted stock units are granted at a price equal to the fair value, which is determined based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. At the end of each reporting period, the Company estimates the number of restricted stock units expected to vest, based on the probability that certain performance objectives will be met, exceeded, or fall below target levels, and the Company takes into account these estimates when calculating the expense for the period.

Restricted stock activity during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 is summarized below:

		Wei	ighted-
		Avera	ige Grant
	Shares	Date F	Fair Value
	(in thousands, exce	ept per sl	nare data)
Non-vested, April 30, 2017	1,581	\$	29.74
Granted	623	\$	37.46
Vested	(419)	\$	26.01
Forfeited	(68)	\$	33.28
Non-vested, January 31, 2018	1,717	\$	33.31

As of January 31, 2018, there were 0.7 million shares and 0.2 million shares outstanding relating to market-based and performance-based restricted stock units, respectively, with total unrecognized compensation totaling \$9.9 million and \$4.3 million, respectively.

As of January 31, 2018, there was \$35.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to allnon-vested awards of restricted stock, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.4 years. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, 4,653 shares and 105,024 shares of restricted stock totaling \$0.2 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, were repurchased by the Company, at the option of employees, to pay for taxes related to vesting of restricted stock. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, 7,151 shares and 193,668 shares of restricted stock totaling \$0.2 million and \$4.4 million, respectively, were repurchased by the Company, at the option of employees, to pay for taxes related to vesting of restricted stock.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The Company has an ESPP that, in accordance with Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code, allows eligible employees to authorize payroll deductions of up to 15% of their salary to purchase shares of the Company's common stock at 85% of the fair market price of the common stock on the last day of the enrollment period. Employees may not purchase more than \$25,000 in stock during any calendar year. The maximum number of shares that may be issued under the ESPP is 3.0 million shares. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, employees purchased 82,464 shares at \$35.17 per share and 198,749 shares at \$31.77 per share, respectively. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, employees purchased 93,130 shares at \$25.01 per share and 207,141 shares at \$20.93 per share, respectively. As of January 31, 2018, the ESPP had approximately 1.1 million shares remaining available for future issuance.

Common Stock

During the nine months ended January 31, 2018, the Company issued 41,075 shares of common stock, as a result of the exercise of stock options, with cash proceeds from the exercise of \$0.6 million. No stock options were exercised during the three months ended January 31, 2018. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, the Company issued 2,510 shares and



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46,600 shares of common stock, respectively, as a result of the exercise of stock options, with cash proceeds from the exercise of \$0.03 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the Company repurchased (on the open market) 80,800 shares and 974,079 shares of the Company's common stock for \$3.3 million and \$32.6 million, respectively. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, the Company repurchased (on the open market) 383,598 shares and 719,098 shares of the Company's common stock for \$9.4 million and \$16.3 million, respectively.

6. Financial Instruments

The following tables show the Company's financial instruments and balance sheet classification as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017:

							Jan	uary 31, 2018					
	Fair Value Measurement								fication	eation			
												Income	
			_					Cash and		arketable	Marketable	Taxes &	Other
		Cost	ι	nrealized Gains		nrealized Losses	Fair Value	Cash Equivalents		curities, Current	Securities, Non-current	Other Receivables	Accrued Liabilities
		Cost		Gains		Losses		thousands)		Juirent	Non-current	Receivables	Liabilities
Level 1:							(inousanus)					
Cash	\$	388,962	\$	_	\$	_	\$388,962	\$ 388,962	\$	_	s —	\$ —	s —
Money market funds		1,028		_		_	1,028	1,028		_	_	_	_
Mutual funds (1)		124,202		15,489		(688)	139,003	_		14,807	124,196	_	_
Total	\$	514,192	\$	15,489	\$	(688)	\$528,993	\$ 389,990	\$	14.807	\$ 124,196	\$	s —
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Level 2:													
Foreign currency forward contracts	\$	_	\$	814	\$	(1,992)	\$ (1,178)	\$ —	\$	_	\$ —	\$ 78	\$ (1,256)
Interest rate swap	\$	_	\$	1,390	\$	_	\$ 1,390	\$ —	\$	_	\$ —	\$ 1,390	\$ —

							Aj	oril 30, 2017							
	Fair Value Measurement Balance Sheet Clas								Sheet Class	sification					
													ncome		
								Cash and		rketable	Marketable		axes &		ther
		Cost	U	nrealized Gains		ealized osses	Fair Value	Cash Equivalents		curities, current	Securities, Non-current		Other eivables		crued bilities
	_	Cost		Gains		usses		thousands)		urrent	Non-current	Ket	civables	Lia	mities
Level 1:							(111	tiiousaiius)							
	\$	409,824	\$	_	\$	_	\$409,824	\$ 409,824	\$	_	s –	S	_	\$	_
Money market funds		1,058		_	·	_	1,058	1,058	-	_	· _		_	•	_
Mutual funds (1)		113,818		6,697		(578)	119,937			4,363	115,574		_		_
Total	\$	524,700	\$	6,697	S	(578)	\$530,819	\$ 410,882	\$	4,363	\$ 115,574	S		\$	
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Level 2:															
Foreign currency forward contracts	\$	_	\$	129	\$	(846)	\$ (717)	\$ —	\$	_	\$ —	\$	_	\$	(717)
Interest rate swap	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(947)	\$ (947)	\$ —	\$	_	\$ —	\$	_	\$	(947)

⁽¹⁾ These investments are held in trust for settlement of the Company's vested obligations of \$122.3 million and \$99.5 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively, under the ECAP (see Note 7—Deferred Compensation and Retirement Plans). During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the fair value of the investments increased; therefore, the Company recognized income of \$7.2 million and \$14.0 million, respectively, which was recorded in other income, net. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, the fair value of the investments increased; therefore, the Company recognized income of \$3.9 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, which was recorded in other income, net.

Investments in marketable securities classified as trading are based upon employee elections from apre-determined set of securities in the ECAP and the Company invests in marketable securities to mirror these elections. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the Company's investments in marketable securities classified as trading consist of mutual funds for which market prices are readily available.



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Designated Derivatives - Interest Rate Swap Agreement

In March 2017, the Company entered into an interest rate swap contract with a notional amount of \$129.8 million, to hedge the variability to changes in cash flows attributable to interest rate risks caused by changes in interest rates related to its variable rate debt. The Company has designated the swap as a cash flow hedge. The notional amount will be amortized so that the amount is always half of the principal balance of the debt outstanding. As of January 31, 2018, the notional amount was \$122.0 million. The interest rate swap agreement matures on June 15, 2021 and locks the interest rates on half the debt outstanding at 1.919%, exclusive of the credit spread on the debt.

The fair value of the derivative designated as a cash flow hedge instrument is as follows:

	uary 31, 2018	April 30, 2017
	 (in thousan	ds)
Derivative asset:		
Interest rate swap contract	\$ 1,390 \$	_
Derivative liability:		
Interest rate swap contract	\$ — \$	947

During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the Company recognized the following gains and losses on the interest rate swap:

	 e Months Inded	Nine Me End	
	January 3		
	(in thous	sands)	
Gains recognized in other comprehensive income (net of tax effects of \$553 and \$609, respectively)	\$ 973	\$	1,061
Losses reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income into interest expense, net	\$ 167	\$	667

As the critical terms of the hedging instrument and the hedged forecasted transaction are the same, the Company has concluded that the changes in the fair value or cash flows attributable to the risk being hedged are expected to completely offset at inception and on an ongoing basis.

We estimate that the amount included in accumulated other comprehensive income as of January 31, 2018 that will be reclassified into interest expense, net within the following 12 months is less than \$0.1 million in income. The cash flows related to the interest rate swap contract are included in net cash provided by operating activities.

Non-Designated Derivatives - Foreign Currency Forward Contracts

The fair value of derivatives not designated as hedge instruments are as follows:

	Ja:	nuary 31, 2018 (in thou	20	il 30,)17
Derivative assets: Total gross amount of foreign currency forward contracts Gross derivatives offset on the balance sheet (1) Net amounts presented on the balance sheet	\$	`	\$	_
Derivative liabilities: Total gross amount of foreign currency forward contracts Gross derivatives offset on the balance sheet (1) Net amounts presented on the balance sheet	\$	1,992 (736) 1,256	\$	846 (129) 717

These amounts represent the impact of netting derivative assets and derivative liabilities when a legally enforceable master netting agreement exists and fair value of adjustments related to our counterparty credit risk.

As of January 31, 2018, the total notional amounts of the forward contracts purchased and sold were \$19.7 million and \$57.2 million, respectively. As of April 30, 2017, the total notional amounts of the forward contracts purchased and sold were \$19.4



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million and \$70.0 million, respectively. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the Company incurred losses of \$1.9 million and \$4.2 million, respectively, related to forward contracts which is recorded in general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. These losses offset foreign currency gains that result from transactions denominated in a currency other than the Company's functional currency. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, the Company incurred gains of \$1.1 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, related to forward contracts. These gains offset foreign currency losses that result from transactions denominated in a currency other than the Company's functional currency. The cash flows related to foreign currency forward contracts are included in net cash used in operating activities.

7. Deferred Compensation and Retirement Plans

The Company has several deferred compensation and retirement plans for eligible consultants and vice presidents that provide defined benefits to participants based on the deferral of current compensation or contributions made by the Company subject to vesting and retirement or termination provisions. Among these plans is a defined benefit pension plan for certain Hay Group employees in the United States. The assets of this plan are held separately from the assets of the sponsors in self-administered funds. The plan is funded consistent with local statutory requirements. All other defined benefit obligations from other plans are unfunded.

The components of net periodic benefit costs are as follows:

		Three Mor			Nine Mont	
	:	2018	2017		2018	2017
			(in thou	sand	ds)	
ervice cost	\$	3,235	\$ 1,793	\$	8,526	\$ 3,981
terest cost		958	1,062		2,876	3,185
mortization of actuarial loss		577	763		1,731	2,289
pected return on plan assets (1)		(398)	(389)		(1,195)	(1,169)
Net periodic benefit costs	\$	4,372	\$ 3,229	\$	11,938	\$ 8,286

⁽¹⁾ The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets is 6.50% for January 31, 2018 and 2017.

The Company purchased COLI contracts insuring the lives of certain employees eligible to participate in the deferred compensation and pension plans as a means of funding benefits under such plans. The gross CSV of these contracts of \$185.0 million and \$180.3 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively, is offset by outstanding policy loans of \$66.8 million and \$67.2 million in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The CSV value of the underlying COLI investments increased by \$1.8 million and \$6.0 million during the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, respectively, and is recorded as a decrease in compensation and benefits expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. The CSV value of the underlying COLI investments increased by \$0.1 million and \$3.3 million during the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, respectively, and is recorded as a decrease in compensation and benefits expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

The Company's ECAP is intended to provide certain employees an opportunity to defer salary and/or bonus on apre-tax basis. In addition, the Company, as part of its compensation philosophy, makes discretionary contributions into the ECAP and such contributions may be granted to key employees annually based on the employee's performance. Certain key management may also receive Company ECAP contributions upon commencement of employment. The Company amortizes these contributions on a straight-line basis over the service period, generally a four- to five-year period. Participants have the ability to allocate their deferrals among a number of investment options and may receive their benefits at termination, retirement or "in service" either in a lump sum or in quarterly installments over one to 15 years. The ECAP amounts that are expected to be paid to employees over the next 12 months are classified as a current liability included in compensation and benefits payable on the accompanying balance sheet.

The ECAP is accounted for whereby the changes in the fair value of the vested amounts owed to the participants are adjusted with a corresponding charge (or credit) to compensation and benefits costs. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, deferred compensation liability increased; therefore, the Company recognized an increase in compensation expense of \$7.2 million and \$14.4 million, respectively. Offsetting the increase in compensation and benefits expense was an increase in the fair value of marketable securities classified as trading (held in trust to satisfy obligations under the ECAP) of \$7.2 million and \$14.0 million during the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, respectively, recorded in other income, net on the consolidated statements of income. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, deferred compensation liability increased; therefore, the Company recognized an increase in compensation expense of \$4.1 million and \$6.7 million, respectively. Offsetting the increase in compensation and benefits expense was an increase in the fair value of marketable securities classified as trading (held in trust to satisfy obligations under the ECAP) of \$3.9 million and \$7.1 million during the



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three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, respectively, recorded in other income, net on the consolidated statements of income (see Note 6 — Financial Instruments).

8. Restructuring Charges, Net

During fiscal 2016, the Company implemented a restructuring plan in order to rationalize its cost structure by eliminating redundant positions and consolidating office space due to the acquisition of Legacy Hay on December 1, 2015. The Company continued the implementation of the fiscal 2016 restructuring plan in fiscal 2018 in order to integrate the Hay Group entities that were acquired in fiscal 2016 by consolidating premises.

Changes in the restructuring liability during the three months ended January 31, 2018 are as follows:

	Sev	verance	Faci	lities	Total
			(in tho	usands)	
Liability as of October 31, 2017	\$	1,541	\$	4,716	\$ 6,257
Reductions for cash payments		(231)		(1,063)	(1,294)
Exchange rate fluctuations		123		55	178
Liability as of January 31, 2018	\$	1,433	\$	3,708	\$ 5,141

Changes in the restructuring liability during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 are as follows:

	Sever	ance	Fac	cilities	Total
			(in the	ousands)	
Liability as of April 30, 2017	\$	5,341	\$	8,354	\$ 13,695
Restructuring charges, net		_		78	78
Reductions for cash payments		(4,178)		(5,328)	(9,506)
Exchange rate fluctuations		270		604	874
Liability as of January 31, 2018	\$	1,433	\$	3,708	\$ 5,141

As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the restructuring liability is included in the current portion of other accrued liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets, except for \$1.6 million and \$4.6 million, respectively, of facilities costs which primarily relate to commitments under operating leases, net of sublease income, which are included in other long-term liabilities.

The restructuring liability by segment is summarized below:

			January:	31, 2018	
	S	everance	Facil	ities	Total
			(in thou	sands)	
Executive Search					
North America	\$	_	\$	262	\$ 262
Asia Pacific			_	5	5
Total Executive Search		_		267	267
Hay Group		1,433		3,340	4,773
Futurestep			_	101	101
Liability as of January 31, 2018	\$	1,433	\$	3,708	\$ 5,141

			April 30, 2017	
	Se	verance	Facilities	Total
			(in thousands)	
Executive Search				
North America	\$	134	\$ 250	\$ 384
Europe, Middle East and Africa ("EMEA")		393	_	393
Asia Pacific		_	6	6
Latin America			87	87
Total Executive Search		527	343	870
Hay Group		4,814	7,879	12,693
Futurestep		_	132	132
Liability as of April 30, 2017	\$	5,341	\$ 8,354	\$ 13,695



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9. Business Segments

The Company currently operates in three global businesses: Executive Search, Hay Group and Futurestep. The Executive Search segment focuses on recruiting Board of Director and C-level positions, in addition to research-based interviewing and onboarding solutions, for clients predominantly in the consumer, financial services, industrial, life sciences/healthcare and technology industries. Hay Group assists clients with ongoing assessment, compensation and development of their senior executives and management teams, and addresses four fundamental needs: Talent Strategy, Succession Management, Leadership Development and Rewards, Motivation and Engagement, all underpinned by a comprehensive array of world-leading intellectual property, products and tools. Futurestep is a global industry leader in high-impact talent acquisition solutions. Its portfolio of services includes global and regional RPO, project recruitment, individual professional search and consulting. The Executive Search business segment is managed by geographic regional leaders and Hay Group and Futurestep worldwide operations are managed by their Chief Executive Officers. The Executive Search geographic regional leaders and the Chief Executive Officers of Hay Group and Futurestep report directly to the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The Company also operates a Corporate segment to record global expenses of the Company.

The Company evaluates performance and allocates resources based on the Company's chief operating decision maker's review of (1) fee revenue and (2) adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("Adjusted EBITDA"). To the extent that such charges occur, Adjusted EBITDA excludes restructuring charges, net, integration/acquisition costs, certain separation costs and certain non-cash charges (goodwill, intangible asset and other than temporary impairment). The accounting policies for the reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies, except the items described above are excluded from EBITDA to arrive at Adjusted EBITDA. For the nine months ended January 31, 2017, Adjusted EBITDA includes deferred revenue adjustment related to the Legacy Hay acquisition, reflecting revenue that the Hay Group would have realized if not for business combination accounting that requires a company to record the acquisition balance sheet at fair value and write-off deferred revenue where no future services are required to be performed to earn that revenue.

Financial highlights by business segment are as follows:

	Three Months Ended January 31, 2018																	
					Ехесι	tive Searcl	h											
		North						Latin				Hay						
		America		EMEA	As	ia Pacific		America		Subtotal		Group	Fu	turestep	Co	orporate	Cor	nsolidated
									(in	thousands)							
Fee revenue Total revenue	\$ \$	102,716 106,332	\$	46,782 47,763	\$	24,493 24,942	\$	6,425 6,456	\$	180,416 185,493	\$	198,056 201,961	\$ \$	69,109 73,316	\$ \$	_	\$	447,581 460,770
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated																	\$	27,247 180 (7,689) 2,665
subsidiaries, net Income tax provision																		(97) 26,316
Operating income (loss) Depreciation and	\$	21,313	\$	7,329	\$	5,289	\$	408	\$	34,339	\$	27,079	\$	10,056	\$	(22,852)		48,622
amortization Other income, net		990 585		458 37		361 185		113 40		1,922 847		7,882 370		733 2		1,688 6,470		12,225 7,689
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net		97						_		97								97
EBITDA Integration/acquisition		22,985		7,824		5,835		561		37,205		35,331		10,791		(14,694)		68,633
costs												1,593				80		1,673
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	22,985	\$	7,824	\$	5,835	\$	561	\$	37,205	\$	36,924	\$	10,791	\$	(14,614)	\$	70,306



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							Thre	e Mo	onths Ended Jan	uar	v 31, 2017					
	_			Exe	cutive Search	1					•					
		North					Latin				Hay					
		America	EMEA	A	sia Pacific	A	merica		Subtotal		Group	Fu	ıturestep	 Corporate	Cor	isolidated
									(in thousands							
Fee revenue	\$	84,827	39,147		21,012		7,835	\$	152,821		175,662	\$	53,435	\$ _	\$	381,918
Total revenue	\$	87,975	\$ 39,965	\$	21,336	\$	7,856	\$	157,132	\$	178,962	\$	58,101	\$ _	\$	394,195
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated															\$	23,897 481 (4,200) 2,402
subsidiaries, net Income tax provision																(113) 8,075
Operating income (loss) Depreciation and	\$	17,718	\$ 8,175	\$	2,086	\$	1,352	\$	29,331	\$	15,988	\$	6,549	\$ (21,326)		30,542
amortization		996	226		268		(21)		1,469		8,061		789	1,455		11,774
Other income (loss), net		316	19		60		61		456		122		(2)	3,624		4,200
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net		113	 						113					 		113
EBITDA		19,143	8,420		2,414		1,392		31,369		24,171		7,336	(16,247)		46,629
Restructuring charges, net Integration/acquisition		_	_		893		309		1,202		2,519		80			3,801
costs											3,364			 1,466		4,830
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	19,143	\$ 8,420	\$	3,307	\$	1,701	\$	32,571	\$	30,054	\$	7,416	\$ (14,781)	\$	55,260

						Nine	Mo	nths Ended Janu	ıary	31, 2018						
			Exe	ecutive Search	ı											
	North					Latin				Hay						
	 America	EMEA	A	sia Pacific	A	merica		Subtotal		Group	F	uturestep	- (Corporate	Co	nsolidated
								(in thousands								
Fee revenue	\$ 296,093	128,249		71,983	\$	22,048	\$	518,373		577,462	\$	196,018	\$	_	\$	1,291,853
Total revenue	\$ 305,866	\$ 130,894	\$	73,009	\$	22,114	\$	531,883	\$	589,093	\$	210,179	\$	_	\$	1,331,155
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated															\$	92,619 969 (14,847) 7,904
subsidiaries, net Income tax provision																(187) 54,145
Operating income (loss) Depreciation and	\$ 66,253	\$ 20,349	\$	12,811	\$, .	\$	102,374	\$	72,532	\$	27,702	\$	(62,005)		140,603
amortization	2,923	1,345		1,052		331		5,651		24,110		2,313		4,807		36,881
Other income, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated	1,157	136		384		99		1,776		459		10		12,602		14,847
subsidiaries, net	 187							187								187
EBITDA	70,520	21,830		14,247		3,391		109,988		97,101		30,025		(44,596)		192,518
Restructuring charges (recoveries), net Integration/acquisition	_	_		313		_		313		(241)		6		-		78
costs	 									6,455				199		6,654
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 70,520	\$ 21,830	\$	14,560	\$	3,391	\$	110,301	\$	103,315	\$	30,031	\$	(44,397)	\$	199,250



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							Nine !	Mon	ths Ended Janua	ary 3	1, 2017						
				Execut	ive Search												
		North					Latin				Hay						
	A	merica	EMEA	Asi	a Pacific	A	merica		Subtotal		Group	F	uturestep	C	Corporate	Co	nsolidated
Fee revenue Deferred revenue adjustment due to	\$	259,361	\$ 109,296	\$	60,108	\$	26,645	\$	(in thousands) 455,410		539,086	\$	164,960	\$	_	\$	1,159,456
acquisition			 								3,535						3,535
Adjusted fee revenue	\$	259,361	\$ 109,296	\$	60,108	\$	26,645	\$	455,410	\$	542,621	\$	164,960		_	\$	1,162,991
Total revenue	\$	269,302	\$ 111,721	\$	61,445	\$	26,766	\$		\$	552,822	\$	180,026	\$		\$	1,202,082
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated																\$	57,257 2,245 (7,580) 8,199
subsidiaries, net Income tax provision																	(221) 21,706
Operating income (loss) Depreciation and	\$	60,458	\$ 21,049	\$	6,216	\$	5,966	\$	93,689	\$	31,188	\$	21,849	\$	(65,120)		81,606
amortization		2,816	666		757		267		4,506		24,102		2,081		4,281		34,970
Other income (loss), net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated		512	(37)		171		158		804		346		(4)		6,434		7,580
subsidiaries, net		221							221								221
EBITDA		64,007	21,678		7,144		6,391		99,220		55,636		23,926		(54,405)		124,377
Restructuring charges, net Integration/acquisition		1,706	128		1,515		669		4,018		24,007		80		216		28,321
costs Deferred revenue adjustment due to		_	_		_		_		_		11,993		_		6,684		18,677
acquisition			 								3,535						3,535
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	65,713	\$ 21,806	\$	8,659	\$	7,060	\$	103,238	\$	95,171	\$	24,006	\$	(47,505)	\$	174,910

10. Long-Term Debt

On June 15, 2016, the Company entered into a senior secured \$400 million Credit Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with a syndicate of banks and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as administrative agent. The Credit Agreement provides for, among other things: (a) a senior secured term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$275 million (the "Term Facility"), (b) a senior secured revolving credit facility (the "Revolver" and together with the Term Facility, the "Credit Facilities") in an aggregate principal amount of \$125 million, (c) annual term loan amortization of 7.5%, 7.5%, 10.0%, 10.0% and 10.0%, with the remaining principal due at maturity, (d) certain customary affirmative and negative covenants, including a maximum consolidated total leverage ratio (as defined below) and a minimum interest coverage ratio and (e) an expanded definition of permitted add-backs to Adjusted EBITDA in recognition of the accelerated integration actions. The Company's credit agreement permits payment of dividends to stockholders and share repurchases so long as the pro forma leverage ratio is no greater than 2.50 to 1.00, and the pro forma domestic liquidity is at least \$50.0 million. The Company drew down \$275 million on the term loan and used \$140 million of the proceeds to pay-off the term loan that was outstanding as of April 30, 2016.

At the Company's option, loans issued under the Credit Agreement will bear interest at either LIBOR or an alternate base rate, in each case plus the applicable interest rate margin. The interest rate applicable to loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities may fluctuate between LIBOR plus 1.25% per annum to LIBOR plus 2.00% per annum, in the case of LIBOR borrowings (or between the alternate base rate plus 0.25% per annum and the alternate base rate plus 1.00% per annum, in the alternative), based upon the Company's total funded debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio (as set forth in the Credit Agreement, the "consolidated leverage ratio") at such time. In addition, the Company will be required to pay to the lenders a quarterly fee ranging from 0.20% to 0.35% per annum on the average daily unused amount of the Term Facility, based upon the Company's consolidated leverage ratio at such time and fees relating to the issuance of letters of credit. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the average rate on the Term Facility was 2.65% and 2.49%, respectively. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, the average rate on the Term Facility was 2.06% and 2.29%, respectively.



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Both the Revolver and the Term Facility mature on June 15, 2021 and may be prepaid and terminated early by the Company at any time without premium or penalty (subject to customary LIBOR breakage fees). The Term Facility is payable in quarterly installments with principal payments totalling \$15.5 million made during the nine months ended January 31, 2018. As of January 31, 2018, \$244.1 million was outstanding under the Term Facility compared to \$259.5 million as of April 30, 2017. The current and long-term portion of unamortized debt issuance costs associated with the long-term debt, was \$2.9 million and \$3.5 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The fair value of the Company's Term Facility is based on borrowing rates currently required of loans with similar terms, maturity and credit risk. The carrying amount of the Term Facility approximates fair value because the base interest rate charged varies with market conditions and the credit spread is commensurate with current market spreads for issuers of similar risk. The fair value of the Term Facility is classified as a Level 2 liability in the fair value hierarchy. As of January 31, 2018, the Company was in compliance with its debt covenants.

As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the Company had no borrowings under the Revolver. The Company had \$2.9 million and \$3.0 million of standby letters of credits issued under its long-term debt arrangements as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The Company had a total of \$7.3 million and \$8.1 million of standby letters of credits with other financial institutions as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The standby letters of credits were generally issued as a result of entering into office premise leases.

11. Income Taxes

The current fiscal year effective tax rate was significantly impacted by the December 22, 2017 enactment of the Tax Act into law in the United States. The most significant impacts of the Tax Act on the Company include (1) a reduction in the U.S. corporate federal statutory income tax rate from 35.0% to 21.0% effective January 1, 2018, and (2) a one-time tax on accumulated foreign earnings (the "Transition Tax"), which is applicable at a rate of 15.5% on cash and other specified assets and 8% on other residual earnings. Because our fiscal year-end is April 30, 2018, the Company's fiscal 2018 statutory federal tax rate is 30.4%.

As a result of the enactment of the Tax Act, the Company recorded a provisional tax charge of \$16.3 million for the Transition Tax and a provisional tax benefit of \$5.8 million from the remeasurement of our U.S. federal deferred tax assets and liabilities at the rate at which we expect these deferred tax balances to be realized (30.4% in fiscal 2018 and 21.0% thereafter). The amounts recorded as a result of the enactment of the Tax Act, specifically the impact of the Transition Tax and the remeasurement of deferred tax balances, are provisional estimates. Additional information and analysis are required to finalize the impact that the Tax Act will have on our financial results, including the final determination of foreign cash and other specified assets at the end of fiscal 2018, refinement of the computation of foreign subsidiaries earnings and the final determination of deferred tax balances subject to remeasurement. Additionally, anticipated future guidance from the Internal Revenue Service, state tax agencies, the Financial Accounting Standards Board and the Securities and Exchange Commission could result in changes to these provisional amounts. The Company will continue to appropriately refine these amounts within the measurement period allowed by Staff Accounting Bulletin ("SAB") No.118, which will be completed no later than December 22, 2018.

12. Subsequent Events

Quarterly Dividend Declaration

On March 5, 2018, the Board of Directors of the Company declared a cash dividend of \$0.10 per share with a payment date of April 13, 2018 to holders of the Company's common stock of record at the close of business on March 26, 2018. The declaration and payment of future dividends under the quarterly dividend policy will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and will depend upon many factors, including the Company's earnings, capital requirements, financial conditions, the terms of the Company's indebtedness and other factors that the Board of Directors may deem to be relevant. The Board may amend, revoke or suspend the dividend policy at any time and for any reason.



Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Forward-looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q may contain certain statements that we believe are, or may be considered to be, "forward-looking" statements, within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These forward-looking statements generally can be identified by use of statements that include phrases such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "foresee," "may," "will," "likely," "estimates," "potential," "continue" or other similar words or phrases. Similarly, statements that describe our objectives, plans or goals also are forward-looking statements. All of these forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the relevant forward-looking statement. The principal risk factors that could cause actual performance and future actions to differ materially from the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, changes in demand for our services as a result of automation, dependence on attracting and retaining qualified and experienced consultants, maintaining our relationships with customers and suppliers and retaining key employees, maintaining our brand name and professional reputation, potential legal liability and regulatory developments, portability of client relationships, global and local political or economic developments in or affecting countries where we have operations, currency fluctuations in our international operations, risks related to growth, restrictions imposed by off-limits agreements, competition, reliance on information processing systems, cyber security vulnerabilities, changes to data security, data privacy, and data protection laws, limited protection of our intellectual property, our ability to enhance and develop new technology, our ability to successfully recover from a disaster or business continuity problems, employment liability risk, an impairment in the carrying value of goodwill and other intangible assets, deferred tax assets that we may not be able to use, our ability to develop new products and services, changes in our accounting estimates and assumptions, tax accounting effects of the Tax Act, alignment of our cost structure, risks related to the integration of recently acquired businesses, the utilization and billing rates of our consultants, seasonality and the matters disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Exchange Act reports, including Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2017 ("Form10-K") and Item 1A of this Quarterly Report on Form10-Q. Readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are made only as of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and we undertake no obligation to publicly update these forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances

The following presentation of management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read together with our consolidated financial statements and related notes included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. We also make available on the Investor Relations portion of our website at www.kornferry.com earnings slides and other important information, which we encourage you to review.

Executive Summary

Korn/Ferry International (referred to herein as the "Company," "Korn Ferry," or in the first person notations "we," "our," and "us") is a global organizational consulting firm. Our services include Executive Search, advisory solutions and products through Hay Group (formerly known as Leadership & Talent Consulting ("Legacy LTC") which was combined with HG (Luxembourg) S.à.r.I ("Legacy Hay") in December 2015) and recruitment for non-executive professionals and recruitment process outsourcing ("RPO") through Futurestep. The Company also operates a Corporate segment to record global expenses of the Company. Approximately 71% of the executive searches we performed in fiscal 2017 were for board level, chief executive and other senior executive and general management positions. Our 3,589 executive search clients in fiscal 2017 included many of the world's largest and most prestigious public and private companies, including approximately 57% of the Fortune 500, middle market and emerging growth companies, as well as government and nonprofit organizations. We have built strong client loyalty, with 82% of assignments performed (without giving effect to Legacy Hay assignments) during fiscal 2017 having been on behalf of clients for whom we had conducted assignments in the previous three fiscal years. Approximately 61% of our revenues were generated from clients that utilize multiple lines of business.

Superior performance comes from having the right conditions for success in two key areas – the organization and its people. Organizational conditions encourage people to put forth their best effort and invest their energy towards achieving the organization's purpose. We can help operationalize a client's complete strategy or address any combination of five broad categories:



Organizational Strategy

Assessment and Succession

Talent Acquisition

Leadership Development

Rewards and Benefits

We map talent strategy to business strategy by designing operating models and organizational structures that align to them, helping organizations put their plans into action. We make sure they have the right people, in the right roles, engaged and enabled to do the right things.

We provide actionable, research-backed insights that allow organizations to understand the true capabilities of their people so they can make decisions that ensure the right leaders are ready — when and where they are needed — in the future.

From executive search to recruitment process outsourcing, we integrate scientific research with our practical experience and industry-specific expertise to recruit professionals of all levels and functions for client organizations.

We activate purpose, vision and strategy through leaders at all levels and organizations. We combine expertise, science and proven techniques with forward thinking and creativity to build leadership experiences that help entry- to senior-level leaders grow and deliver superior results.

We help organizations align reward with strategy. We help them pay their people fairly for doing the right things — with rewards they value — at a cost the organization can afford.

The Company currently operates in three global business segments: Executive Search, Hay Group and Futurestep. See Note 9 —Business Segments, in the Notes to Consolidated Unaudited Financial Statements for discussion of the Company's global business segments. The Company evaluates performance and allocates resources based on the chief operating decision maker's review of (1) fee revenue and (2) adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("Adjusted EBITDA"). To the extent that such charges occur, Adjusted EBITDA excludes restructuring charges (recoveries), net, integration/acquisition costs and certain separation costs and certain non-cash charges (goodwill, intangible asset and other than temporary impairment). For the nine months ended January 31, 2017, Adjusted EBITDA includes a deferred revenue adjustment related to the Legacy Hay acquisition, reflecting revenue that Hay Group would have realized if not for business combination accounting that requires a company to record the acquisition balance sheet at fair value and write-off deferred revenue where no future services are required to be performed to earn that revenue. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018 and the three months ended January 31, 2017, management no longer has adjusted fee revenue.

Adjusted EBITDA and EBITDA are non-GAAP financial measures. They have limitations as analytical tools, should not be viewed as a substitute for financial information determined in accordance with United States ("U.S.") generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of the Company's results as reported under GAAP. In addition, they may not necessarily be comparable to non-GAAP performance measures that may be presented by other companies.

Management believes the presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures provides meaningful supplemental information regarding Korn Ferry's performance by excluding certain charges, items of income and other items that may not be indicative of Korn Ferry's ongoing operating results. The use of these non-GAAP financial measures facilitates comparisons to Korn Ferry's historical performance and identification of operating trends that may otherwise be distorted by certain charges and other items that may not be indicative of Korn Ferry's ongoing operating results. Korn Ferry includes these non-GAAP financial measures because management believes it is useful to investors in allowing for greater transparency with respect to supplemental information used by management in its evaluation of Korn Ferry's ongoing operations and financial and operational decision-making. The accounting policies for the reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies in the accompanying consolidated financial statements, except that the above noted items are excluded from EBITDA to arrive at Adjusted EBITDA. Management further believes that EBITDA is useful to investors because it is frequently used by investors and other interested parties to measure operating performance among companies with different capital structures, effective tax rates and tax attributes and capitalized asset values, all of which can vary substantially from company to company.

Similarly, adjusted fee revenue, which includes revenue that Hay Group would have realized over the ensuing year after the acquisition if not for business combination accounting that requires a company to record the acquisition balance sheet at fair value and write-off deferred revenue where no future services are required to be performed to earn that revenue, is a non-GAAP financial measure. Adjusted fee revenue is not a measure that substitutes an individually tailored revenue recognition or measurement method for those of GAAP; rather, it is an adjustment for a short period of time that will provide better comparability in the current and future periods. Management believes the presentation of adjusted fee revenue assists management in its evaluation of ongoing operations and provides useful information to investors because it allows investors to make more meaningful period-to-period comparisons of the Company's operating results, to better identify operating trends that may otherwise be distorted by write-offs required under business combination accounting and to perform related trend analysis and provides a higher degree of transparency of information used by management in its evaluation of Korn Ferry's ongoing operations and financial and operational decision-making.

Fee revenue was \$447.6 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018, an increase of \$65.7 million, or 17%, compared to \$381.9 million in the three months ended January 31, 2017, with increases in fee revenue in all business segments. During the three months ended January 31, 2018, we recorded operating income of \$48.6 million with Executive



Search, Hay Group and Futurestep segments contributing \$34.3 million, \$27.1 million and \$10.1 million, respectively, offset by Corporate expenses of \$22.9 million. Net income attributable to Korn Ferry increased \$3.3 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018 to \$27.2 million from \$23.9 million for the year-ago quarter. During the three months ended January 31, 2018, Adjusted EBITDA was \$70.3 million with Executive Search, Hay Group and Futurestep segments contributing \$37.2 million, \$36.9 million and \$10.8 million, respectively, offset by Corporate expenses net of other income of \$14.6 million. Adjusted EBITDA was \$70.3 million, an increase of \$15.0 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018, from Adjusted EBITDA of \$55.3 million in the year-ago quarter.

Our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities decreased \$1.8 million to \$529.0 million at January 31, 2018, compared to \$530.8 million at April 30, 2017. This decrease is mainly due to bonuses earned in fiscal 2017 and paid during fiscal 2018, sign-on and retention payments, stock repurchases in the open market, payments for the purchase of property and equipment, dividends paid during fiscal 2018 and principal payments on our term loan, partially offset by cash provided by operating activities. As of January 31, 2018, we held marketable securities to settle obligations under our Executive Capital Accumulation Plan ("ECAP") with a cost value of \$124.2 million and a fair value of \$139.0 million. Our vested obligations for which these assets were held in trust totaled \$122.3 million as of January 31, 2018 and our unvested obligations totaled \$29.7 million.

Our working capital increased from April 30, 2017 to January 31, 2018 by \$40.1 million to \$425.2 million as of January 31, 2018. We believe that cash on hand and funds from operations and other forms of liquidity will be sufficient to meet our anticipated working capital, capital expenditures, general corporate requirements, repayment of the debt obligations incurred in connection with the Legacy Hay acquisition, the retention pool obligations pursuant to the Legacy Hay acquisition and dividend payments under our dividend policy in the next twelve months. We had no outstanding borrowings under our revolving credit facility at January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, there was \$2.9 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, of standby letters of credit issued under our long-term debt arrangements. We had a total of \$7.3 million and \$8.1 million of standby letters of credits with other financial institutions as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively.

Results of Operations

The following table summarizes the results of our operations as a percentage of fee revenue: (Numbers may not total exactly due to rounding)

	Three Month January		Nine months January	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Fee revenue	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Reimbursed out-of-pocket engagement expenses	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.7
Total revenue	102.9	103.2	103.0	103.7
Compensation and benefits	69.4	68.7	68.6	68.7
General and administrative expenses	13.1	14.9	13.6	14.3
Reimbursed expenses	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.7
Cost of services	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.5
Depreciation and amortization	2.7	3.1	2.9	3.0
Restructuring charges, net		1.0	<u> </u>	2.4
Operating income	10.9	8.0	10.9	7.0
Net income	6.1%	6.4%	7.2%	5.1%
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International	6.1%	6.3%	7.2%	4.9%



The following tables summarize the results of our operations by business segment: (Numbers may not total exactly due to rounding)

	Thre	e Months En	ded January 31,		Nin	e months End	ed January 31,	
	2018		2017		2018		2017	
	Dollars	%	Dollars	%	Dollars	%	Dollars	%
				(in tho	usands)			
Fee revenue Executive Search:								
North America	\$ 102,716	22.9%	\$ 84,827	22.2%	\$ 296,093	22.9%	\$ 259,361	22.4%
EMEA	46,782	10.5	39,147	10.3	128,249	9.9	109,296	9.4
Asia Pacific	24,493	5.5	21,012	5.5	71,983	5.6	60,108	5.2
Latin America.	6,425	1.4	7,835	2.0	22,048	1.7	26,645	2.3
Total Executive Search	180,416	40.3	152,821	40.0	518,373	40.1	455,410	39.3
Hay Group	198,056	44.3	175,662	46.0	577,462	44.7	539,086	46.5
Futurestep	69,109	15.4	53,435	14.0	196,018	15.2	164,960	14.2
Total fee revenue	447,581	100.0%	381,918	100.0%	1,291,853	100.0%	1,159,456	100.0%
Reimbursed out-of-pocket engagement expenses	13,189		12,277		39,302		42,626	
Total revenue	\$ 460,770		\$ 394,195		\$ 1,331,155		\$ 1,202,082	

		Thr	ee Months En	ded J	anuary 31,			Nin	e months End	ed Ja	nuary 31,	
	_	2018			2017			2018			2017	
	_	Dollars	Margin (1)]	Dollars	Margin (1)		Dollars	Margin (1)		Dollars	Margin (1)
	_					(in the	usano	ds)				
Operating Income												
Executive Search:												
North America	\$	21,313	20.7%	\$	17,718	20.9%	\$	66,253	22.4%	\$	60,458	23.3%
EMEA		7,329	15.7		8,175	20.9		20,349	15.9		21,049	19.3
Asia Pacific		5,289	21.6		2,086	9.9		12,811	17.8		6,216	10.3
Latin America.	_	408	6.4		1,352	17.3		2,961	13.4		5,966	22.4
Total Executive Search		34,339	19.0		29,331	19.2		102,374	19.7		93,689	20.6
Hay Group		27,079	13.7		15,988	9.1		72,532	12.6		31,188	5.8
Futurestep		10,056	14.6		6,549	12.3		27,702	14.1		21,849	13.2
Corporate	_	(22,852)	_		(21,326)	_		(62,005)	_		(65,120)	_
Total operating income	\$	48,622	10.9%	\$	30,542	8.0%	\$	140,603	10.9%	\$	81,606	7.0%

⁽¹⁾ Margin calculated as a percentage of fee revenue by business segment.



	Three Months Ended January 31, 2018															
			Exe	ecutive Sea	ırch											
	North				1	Latin				Hay						
	America	EMEA	Asia	Pacific	A	merica		Subtotal		Group	Ft	ıturestep	(Corporate	Co	nsolidated
							(in thousands)							
Fee revenue	\$ 102,716	\$ 46,782	\$	24,493	\$	6,425	\$	180,416	\$	198,056	\$	69,109	\$	_	\$	447,581
Total revenue	\$ 106,332	\$ 47,763	\$	24,942	\$	6,456	\$	185,493	\$	201,961	\$	73,316	\$	_	\$	460,770
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net Income tax provision															\$	27,247 180 (7,689) 2,665 (97) 26,316
Operating income (loss)	\$ 21,313	\$ 7,329	\$	5,289	\$	408	\$	34,339	\$	27,079	\$	10,056	\$	(22,852)		48,622
Depreciation and amortization	990	458		361		113		1,922		7,882		733		1,688		12,225
Other income, net	585	37		185		40		847		370		2		6,470		7,689
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net	97							97								97
EBITDA	22,985	7,824		5,835		561		37,205		35,331		10,791		(14,694)		68,633
Integration/acquisition costs										1,593				80		1,673
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 22,985	\$ 7,824	\$	5,835	\$	561	\$	37,205	\$	36,924	\$	10,791	\$	(14,614)	\$	70,306
Adjusted EBITDA margin	22.4%	16.7%		23.8%		8.7%	·	20.6%		18.6%	_	15.6%				15.7%

						Three M	Ionth	s Ended Janu	uary	31, 2017						
		Executive Search														
	North					Latin				Hay						
	America	EMEA	Asia	Pacific	A	merica	5	Subtotal		Group	Fı	uturestep	(Corporate	Co	nsolidated
							(ir	ı thousand	s)							
Fee revenue	\$ 84,827	\$ 39,147	\$	21,012	\$	7,835	\$	152,821	\$	175,662	\$	53,435	\$	_	\$	381,918
Total revenue	\$ 87,975	\$ 39,965	\$	21,336	\$	7,856	\$	157,132	\$	178,962	\$	58,101	\$	_	\$	394,195
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net Income tax provision															\$	23,897 481 (4,200) 2,402 (113) 8,075
Operating income (loss)	\$ 17,718	\$ 8,175	\$	2,086	\$	1,352	\$	29,331	\$	15,988	\$	6,549	\$	(21,326)		30,542
Depreciation and amortization	996	226		268		(21)		1,469		8,061		789		1,455		11,774
Other income (loss), net	316	19		60		61		456		122		(2)		3,624		4,200
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net	113					_		113								113
EBITDA	19,143	8,420		2,414		1,392		31,369		24,171		7,336		(16,247)		46,629
Restructuring charges, net	_	_		893		309		1,202		2,519		80		_		3,801
Integration/acquisition costs										3,364				1,466		4,830
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 19,143	\$ 8,420	\$	3,307	\$	1,701	\$	32,571	\$	30,054	\$	7,416	\$	(14,781)	\$	55,260
Adjusted EBITDA margin	22.6%	21.5%		15.7%		21.7%		21.3%		17.1%		13.9%				14.5%



	Nine months Ended January 31, 2018															
	Executive Search															
	North		Latin			H			Hay							
	America	EMEA	Asia Pacific		America		Subtotal		Group		Futurestep		Corporate		Co	nsolidated
							(in thousands)		s)							
Fee revenue	\$ 296,093	\$ 128,249	\$	71,983	\$	22,048	\$	518,373	\$	577,462		196,018	\$	_		1,291,853
Total revenue	\$ 305,866	\$ 130,894	\$	73,009	\$	22,114	\$	531,883	\$	589,093	\$	210,179	\$	_	\$	1,331,155
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net Income tax provision															\$	92,619 969 (14,847) 7,904 (187) 54,145
Operating income (loss) Depreciation and amortization	\$ 66,253 2,923	\$ 20,349 1,345	\$	12,811 1,052	\$	2,961 331	\$	102,374 5,651	\$	72,532 24,110	\$	27,702 2,313	\$	(62,005) 4,807		140,603 36,881
Other income, net	1,157	136		384		99		1,776		459		10		12,602		14,847
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net	187	_		-		_		187		_		_		,··-		187
EBITDA	70,520	21,830		14,247		3,391	_	109,988		97,101		30,025		(44,596)		192,518
Restructuring charges (recoveries), net				313				313		(241)		6				78
Integration/acquisition costs										6,455				199		6,654
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 70,520	\$ 21,830	\$	14,560	\$	3,391	\$	110,301	\$	103,315	\$	30,031	\$	(44,397)	\$	199,250
Adjusted EBITDA margin	23.8%	17.0%		20.2%		15.4%	_	21.3%		17.9%		15.3%				15.4%

	Nine months Ended January 31, 2017									
			Executive Sear							
	North			Latin	Hay					
	America	EMEA	Asia Pacific	America	Subtotal Group	Futurestep	Corporate	Consolidated		
Fee revenue Deferred revenue adjustment due to acquisition Adjusted fee revenue Total revenue	\$ 259,361 <u>\$ 259,361</u> \$ 269,302	\$ 109,296 <u>\$ 109,296</u> \$ 111,721	\$ 60,108 \$ 60,108 \$ 61,445	\$ 26,645 \$ 26,645 \$ 26,766	(in thousands) \$ 455,410 \$ 539,0	35 21 \$ 164,960	s — <u>s —</u> s —	\$ 1,159,456 3,535 \$ 1,162,991 \$ 1,202,082		
Net income attributable to Korn/Ferry International Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest Other income, net Interest expense, net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net Income tax provision								\$ 57,257 2,245 (7,580) 8,199 (221) 21,706		
Operating income (loss) Depreciation and amortization Other income (loss), net Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries, net EBITDA Restructuring charges, net Integration/acquisition costs Deferred revenue adjustment due to acquisition Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 60,458 2,816 512 221 64,007 1,706	\$ 21,049 666 (37) 	\$ 6,216 757 171 	\$ 5,966 267 158 6,391 669 — \$ 7,060	99,220 55,6 4,018 24,0 — 11,9 — 3,5 \$ 103,238 \$ 95,1	02 2,081 46 (4) ————————————————————————————————————	\$ (65,120) 4,281 6,434 (54,405) 216 6,684 \$ (47,505)	81,606 34,970 7,580 221 124,377 28,321 18,677 3,535 \$ 174,910		
Adjusted EBITDA margin	25.3%	20.0%	14.4%	26.5%	22.7% 11	.5% 14.6%		15.0%		



Three Months Ended January 31, 2018 Compared to Three Months Ended January 31, 2017

Fee Revenue

Fee Revenue. Fee revenue increased by \$65.7 million, or 17%, to \$447.6 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$381.9 million in theyear-ago quarter. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$15.8 million, or 4%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The higher fee revenue was attributable to organic growth in all lines of business.

Executive Search. Executive Search reported fee revenue of \$180.4 million, an increase of \$27.6 million, or 18%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$152.8 million in the year-ago quarter. As detailed below, Executive Search fee revenue was higher in North America, EMEA and Asia Pacific regions, partially offset by lower fee revenue in the Latin America region in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to the year-ago quarter. The higher fee revenue in Executive Search was mainly due to a 10% increase in the number of engagements billed and 4% increase in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$5.6 million, or 4%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago quarter.

North America reported fee revenue of \$102.7 million, an increase of \$17.9 million, or 21%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$84.8 million in the year-ago quarter. North America's fee revenue was higher due to a 16% increase in the number of engagements billed and a 4% increase in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The overall increase in fee revenue was driven by the increase in fee revenue from consumer, life sciences/healthcare, technology, industrial, and education/non-profit sectors. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$0.5 million, or 1% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter.

EMEA reported fee revenue of \$46.8 million, an increase of \$7.7 million, or 20%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$39.1 million in the grear-ago quarter. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$3.9 million, or 10%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago quarter. The rest of the change in fee revenue was due to a 15% increase in the number of engagements billed, offset by a 5% decrease in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The performance in France, United Kingdom, Germany, and Denmark were the primary contributors to the increase in fee revenue in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. In terms of business sectors, industrial and consumer had the largest increase in fee revenue in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter.

Asia Pacific reported fee revenue of \$24.5 million, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 17%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$21.0 million in the pear-ago quarter. The effect of exchange rates on fee revenue was \$1.1 million, or 5%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The increase in fee revenue was due to a 11% increase in the number of engagements billed in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The performance in China, Australia, and Singapore were the primary contributors to the increase in fee revenue in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. Life sciences/ healthcare, financial services, and technology were the main sectors contributing to the increase in fee revenue in the three months ended January 31, 2018, as compared to the year-ago quarter.

Latin America reported fee revenue of \$6.4 million, a decrease of \$1.4 million, or 18%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$7.8 million in the ear-ago quarter. The effect of exchange rates on fee revenue was minimal. The decrease in fee revenue in the region is due to lower fee revenue in Mexico in the three months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago quarter, partially offset by higher fee revenue in Argentina. Industrial and financial services were the main sectors contributing to the decline in fee revenue.

Hay Group. Hay Group reported fee revenue of \$198.1 million, an increase of \$22.4 million, or 13%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$175.7 million in the year-ago quarter. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$7.8 million, or 4%, compared to theyear-ago quarter. Fee revenue from consulting services was higher by \$15.6 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter, with the remaining increase of \$6.8 million generated by our products business.

Futurestep. Futurestep reported fee revenue of \$69.1 million, an increase of \$15.7 million, or 29%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$53.4 million in the year-ago quarter. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$2.4 million, or 4%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018. Higher fee revenues in RPO and professional search of \$9.9 million and \$6.0 million, respectively, drove the increase in fee revenue.

Compensation and Benefits

Compensation and benefits expense increased \$48.4 million, or 18%, to \$310.8 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 from \$262.4 million in the year-ago quarter. Exchange rates unfavorably impacted compensation and benefits expenses by \$9.9 million, or 4%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The increase in



compensation and benefits was primarily due to a 9% increase in average headcount, which contributed \$25.6 million in higher salaries and related payroll taxes, \$3.4 million increase in amortization of long-term incentive awards, \$1.8 million in expense and \$1.4 million in employee insurance costs. The rest of the change was due to an increase in performance related bonus expense of \$15.7 million due to higher fee revenues and an increase in the amounts owed under certain deferred compensation and retirement plans of \$4.8 million that was driven by increases in the fair value of participants' accounts in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The increases in compensation and benefits were partially offset by a decline in integration costs of \$2.6 million.

Executive Search compensation and benefits expense increased by \$21.7 million, or 21%, to \$123.7 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$102.0 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase was primarily due to higher salaries and related payroll taxes of \$6.7 million due to a 6% increase in average headcount reflecting our continued growth-related investment back into the business. Also contributing to the increase in compensation and benefits expense was a \$7.2 million increase in performance related bonus expense compared to the year-ago quarter, an increase of \$3.5 million in expenses associated with our deferred compensation and retirement plans (including the increases in the fair value of participants' accounts), and \$2.4 million increase in amortization of long-term incentive awards. The increase in performance related bonus expense was due to the increase in fee revenue. Executive Search compensation and benefits expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 69% and 67% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Hay Group compensation and benefits expense increased \$13.9 million, or 12%, to \$125.5 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 from \$111.6 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase was primarily due to higher average consultant headcount of 6% compared to theyear-ago quarter which contributed \$10.5 million in higher salaries and related payroll taxes and an increase in performance-related bonus expense of \$2.6 million due to higher fee revenues, offset by \$1.8 million in lower integration costs. Hay Group compensation and benefits expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 63% and 64% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Futurestep compensation and benefits expense increased \$12.3 million, or 34%, to \$49.0 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 from \$36.7 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase was due to higher salaries and related payroll taxes of \$7.4 million due to a 31% increase in the average headcount in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The higher average headcount was primarily driven by the need to service an increase in fee revenue in the RPO business. Also contributing to the increase in compensation and benefits was a higher performance related bonus expense of \$4.6 million. Futurestep compensation and benefits expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 71% and 69% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Corporate compensation and benefits expense increased by \$0.4 million, or 3%, to \$12.5 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 from \$12.1 million in the year-ago quarter.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased \$1.7 million, or 3%, to \$58.5 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$56.8 million in the year-ago quarter. Exchange rates unfavorably impacted general and administrative expenses by \$1.8 million, or 3%, during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. The increase in general and administrative expenses was due to increases of \$2.1 million and \$0.9 million in legal and other professional fees and business development expense, respectively, offset by a decline of \$0.6 million in integration costs and a decrease in foreign exchange loss of \$0.5 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. General and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 13% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 15% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 15% in the three months ended January 31, 2017.

Executive Search general and administrative expenses increased \$1.3 million, or 7%, to \$19.3 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 from \$18.0 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase in general and administrative expenses was due to increases of \$0.4 million and \$0.9 million in legal and other professional fees and other general and administrative expenses, respectively, during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. Executive Search general and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 11% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 12% in the three months ended January 31, 2017.

Hay Group general and administrative expenses decreased \$0.8 million, or 3%, to \$24.0 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 from \$24.8 million in the year-ago quarter. The decrease in general and administrative expenses was due to generating a foreign exchange gain of \$0.1 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to a foreign exchange loss of \$1.0 million in the year-ago quarter. This was offset by an increase in legal and other professional fees of \$0.4 million. Hay Group general and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 12% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 14% in the three months ended January 31, 2017.

Futurestep general and administrative expenses was \$6.5 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$6.2 million in theyear-ago quarter. Futurestep general and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 9% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 12% in the year-ago quarter.



Corporate general and administrative expenses increased \$0.9 million, or 12%, to \$8.7 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$7.8 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase in general and administrative expenses was due to an increase of \$1.2 million in legal and other professional fees, offset by a decline of \$0.6 million in integration costs and a decrease of \$0.8 million in premise and office expense. The rest of the change was primarily due to generating foreign exchange loss of \$0.8 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to a foreign exchange gain of \$0.2 million in the year-ago quarter.

Cost of Services Expense

Cost of services expense consists primarily of non-billable contractor and product costs related to the delivery of various services and products, primarily in Futurestep and Hay Group. Cost of services expense increased \$1.0 million, or 6%, to \$17.5 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$16.5 million in the year-ago quarter. Cost of services expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 4% in both the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Depreciation and Amortization Expenses

Depreciation and amortization expenses were \$12.2 million, an increase of \$0.4 million, or 3%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$11.8 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase relates primarily to technology investments made in the current and prior year in software and computer equipment, in addition to increases in leasehold improvements and furniture and fixtures.

Restructuring Charges, Net

During the three months ended January 31, 2018, no restructuring charges were incurred.

During the three months ended January 31, 2017, we continued the implementation of the fiscal 2016 restructuring plan to integrate Legacy Hay entities that were acquired in fiscal 2016 and recorded \$3.8 million of restructuring charges, net relating to the consolidation of premises.

Operating Income

Operating income was \$48.6 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$30.5 million in theyear-ago quarter. This increase in operating income resulted from higher fee revenue of \$65.7 million and a decrease in restructuring charges, net of \$3.8 million, offset by increases of \$48.4 million in compensation and benefits expense, \$1.7 million in general and administrative expenses and \$1.0 million in cost of services expense.

Executive Search operating income increased \$5.0 million, or 17%, to \$34.3 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$29.3 million in the grear-ago quarter. The increase in Executive Search operating income was driven by higher fee revenue of \$27.6 million and a decrease in restructuring charges, net of \$1.2 million, offset by increases in compensation and benefits expense, general and administrative expenses, and depreciation and amortization expenses of \$21.7 million, \$1.3 million, and \$0.5 million, respectively. Executive Search operating income, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 19% in both the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Hay Group operating income was \$27.1 million, an increase of \$11.1 million, or 69%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to operating income of \$16.0 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase was primarily driven by an increase in fee revenue of \$22.4 million and a decrease in restructuring charges, net of \$2.5 million, offset by an increase of \$13.9 million in compensation and benefits expense. Hay Group operating income, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 14% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 9% in the year-ago quarter.

Futurestep operating income was \$10.1 million, an increase of \$3.6 million, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$6.5 million in the ear-ago quarter. The increase in operating income was driven by higher fee revenue of \$15.7 million, offset by an increase in compensation and benefits expense of \$12.3 million. Futurestep operating income, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 15% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 12% in the year-ago quarter.

Net Income Attributable to Korn Ferry

Net income attributable to Korn Ferry increased by \$3.3 million to \$27.2 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$23.9 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase was due to higher total revenue of \$66.6 million and an increase in other income, net of \$3.5 million offset by higher operating expenses of \$48.4 million and an increase in the income tax provision of \$18.2 million compared to the year-ago quarter. Net income attributable to Korn Ferry, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 6% in both the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$15.0 million to \$70.3 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$55.3 million in theyear-ago quarter. This increase was driven by higher fee revenue of \$65.7 million and an increase of \$3.5 million in other income, net due to the change in fair value of our marketable securities, offset by increases of \$51.0 million in compensation and benefits expense (excluding integration costs), \$2.3 million in general and administrative expenses



(excluding integration cost) and \$1.0 million in cost of services expense. Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 16% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 14% in the year-ago quarter.

Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA increased \$4.6 million, or 14%, to \$37.2 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$32.6 million in the three months ended January 31, 2017. The increase was driven by higher fee revenue of \$27.6 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter, offset by increases of \$21.7 million in compensation and benefits expense and \$1.3 million in general and administrative expenses. Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 21% in both the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Hay Group Adjusted EBITDA was \$36.9 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018, an increase of \$6.8 million, or 23%, as compared to \$30.1 million in the year-ago quarter. The increase was driven by higher fee revenue of \$22.4 million, offset by increases of \$15.7 million in compensation and benefits expense (excluding integration costs) during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. Hay Group Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 19% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to 17% in the year-ago quarter.

Futurestep Adjusted EBITDA was \$10.8 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018, an increase of \$3.4 million, as compared to \$7.4 million in the gear-ago quarter. The increase was driven by higher fee revenue of \$15.7 million, offset by increases of \$12.3 million in compensation and benefits expense during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter. Futurestep Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 16% in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 14% in the year-ago quarter.

Other Income, Net

Other income, net was \$7.7 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$4.2 million in theyear-ago quarter. The increase was primarily due to the change in the fair value of our marketable securities, where there was a larger gain during the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago quarter.

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net primarily relates to our term loan facility and borrowings under our COLI policies, which is partially offset by interest earned on cash and cash equivalent balances. Interest expense, net was \$2.7 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$2.4 million in the year-ago quarter.

Income Tax Provision

The provision for income tax was \$26.3 million in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$8.1 million in theyear-ago quarter. This reflects a 49% and 25% effective tax rate for the three months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The current fiscal year effective tax rate was significantly impacted by the December 22, 2017 enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act") as a result of which, Korn Ferry recorded a provisional tax charge of \$16.3 million for a one-time tax on accumulated foreign earnings (the "Transition Tax") and a provisional tax benefit of \$5.8 million from the remeasurement of our U.S. federal deferred tax assets and liabilities. Korn Ferry will continue to appropriately refine these amounts within the measurement period allowed by SAB No.118, which will be completed no later than December 22, 2018.

Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest represents the portion of a subsidiary's net earnings that are attributable to shares of such subsidiary not held by Korn Ferry that are included in the consolidated results of operations. Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest for the three months ended January 31, 2018 was \$0.2 million compared to \$0.5 million for the three months ended January 31, 2017.

Nine Months Ended January 31, 2018 Compared to Nine Months Ended January 31, 2017

Fee Revenue

Fee Revenue. Fee revenue went up by \$132.4 million, or 11%, to \$1,291.9 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$1,159.5 million in the gear-ago period. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$17.7 million, or 2%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The higher fee revenue was attributable to organic growth in all lines of business.

Executive Search. Executive Search reported fee revenue of \$518.4 million, an increase of \$63.0 million, or 14%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$455.4 million in the year-ago period. As detailed below, Executive Search fee revenue was higher in North America, EMEA and Asia Pacific, partially offset by lower fee revenue in the Latin America region in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to the year-ago period. The higher fee revenue in Executive Search was mainly due to an 8% increase in the number of engagements billed and a 4% increase in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$6.4 million, or 1%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago period.



North America reported fee revenue of \$296.1 million, an increase of \$36.7 million, or 14%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$259.4 million in the year-ago period. North America's fee revenue was higher due to a 10% increase in the number of engagements billed and a 4% increase in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. All of the business sectors contributed to the growth in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to the year-ago period, with industrial and technology contributing the most. The effect of exchange rates on fee revenue was minimal in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago period.

EMEA reported fee revenue of \$128.2 million, an increase of \$18.9 million, or 17%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$109.3 million in the period. The favorable effect of exchange rates on fee revenue was \$4.2 million, or 4%, in the three months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago period. The increase in fee revenue was due to a 16% increase in the number of engagements billed, offset by a 2% decrease in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The performance in the United Kingdom, France, Germany, and Italy were the primary contributors to the increase in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. All of the business sectors contributed to the growth in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to the year-ago period, with industrial contributing the most

Asia Pacific reported fee revenue of \$72.0 million, an increase of \$11.9 million, or 20%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$60.1 million in the year-ago period. The favorable effect of exchange rates on fee revenue was \$1.2 million, or 2%, compared to theyear-ago period. The increase in fee revenue was due to a 9% increase in the number of engagements billed and an 8% increase in the weighted-average fees billed per engagement (calculated using local currency) in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The performance in China, Australia, Singapore, Japan and India were the primary contributors to the increase in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period, partially offset by a decline in fee revenue in Hong Kong. Financial services, technology, industrial and life sciences/healthcare were the main sectors contributing to the increase in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, as compared to the year-ago period.

Latin America reported fee revenue of \$22.0 million, a decrease of \$4.6 million, or 17%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$26.6 million in the year-ago period. The effect of exchange rates on fee revenue was minimal. The decrease in fee revenue is due to lower fee revenue in Mexico and Brazil in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago period, partially offset by higher fee revenue in Argentina, Ecuador and Chile. Consumer goods and financial services were the main sectors contributing to the decline in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, compared to the year-ago period.

Hay Group. Hay Group reported fee revenue of \$577.5 million, an increase of \$38.4 million, or 7%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$539.1 million in the year-ago period. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$8.5 million, or 2%, compared to theyear-ago period. Fee revenue from consulting services was higher by \$25.9 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period, with the remaining increase of \$12.5 million generated by our products business.

Futurestep. Futurestep reported fee revenue of \$196.0 million, an increase of \$31.0 million, or 19%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$165.0 million in the year-ago period. Exchange rates favorably impacted fee revenue by \$2.8 million, or 2%, compared to theyear-ago period. Higher fee revenues in RPO and professional search of \$22.3 million and \$10.2 million, respectively, drove the increase in fee revenue.

Compensation and Benefits

Compensation and benefits expense increased \$89.7 million, or 11%, to \$885.7 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 from \$796.0 million in theyear-ago period. Exchange rates unfavorably impacted compensation and benefits expenses by \$11.4 million, or 1%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The increase in compensation and benefits was primarily due to an 8% increase in the average headcount, primarily focused on fee earners, which contributed \$58.3 million in higher salaries and related payroll taxes and \$13.6 million more in expenses associated with our deferred compensation and retirement plans (includes the increases in the fair value of participants' accounts) in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The rest of the change was due to \$19.0 million increase in performance-related bonus expense and \$7.9 million increase in amortization of long term incentive awards, offset by an \$8.4 million decrease in integration costs compared to the year-ago period.

Executive Search compensation and benefits expense increased by \$48.4 million, or 16%, to \$348.9 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$300.5 million in the year-ago period. The increase was primarily due to higher salaries and related payroll taxes of \$18.8 million due to a 6% increase in average headcount reflecting our continued growth-related investment back into the business. Also contributing to the increase in compensation and benefits expense was an increase of \$10.5 million in expenses associated with our deferred compensation and retirement plans (includes the increases in the fair value of participants' accounts), \$9.1 million increase in performance related bonus expense compared to the year-ago period and a \$6.1 million increase in amortization of long-term incentive awards. The increase in performance related bonus expense was due to a 14% increase in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-



ago period. Executive Search compensation and benefits expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 67% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 66% in the year-ago period.

Hay Group compensation and benefits expense increased \$19.5 million, or 6%, to \$365.7 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 from \$346.2 million in the year-ago period. The change was primarily due to increases in salaries and payroll taxes of \$18.6 million and \$3.1 million increase in expenses associated with our deferred compensation and retirement plans (includes the increases in the fair value of participants' accounts). Also contributing to the increase in compensation and benefits expense was an increase of \$2.3 million in performance related bonus expense and employer insurance cost of \$1.7 million, offset by a decrease in integration costs of \$5.5 million compared to year-ago period. Hay Group compensation and benefits expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 63% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 64% in the year-ago period.

Futurestep compensation and benefits expense increased \$23.6 million, or 21%, to \$138.4 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 from \$114.8 million in the year-ago period. The increase was due to higher salaries and related payroll taxes of \$18.4 million due to a 29% increase in the average headcount in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The higher average headcount was primarily driven by the need to service an increase in fee revenue in the RPO business. Also contributing to the increase in compensation and benefits expense was an increase of \$6.5 million performance related bonus expense due to a 19% increase in fee revenue in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Futurestep compensation and benefits expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 71% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 70% in the year-ago period.

Corporate compensation and benefits expense decreased by \$1.8 million, or 5%, to \$32.7 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 from \$34.5 million in the year-ago period. This change was mainly due to a decrease of \$2.9 million in integration costs in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period, offset by an increase of \$1.1 million in performance related bonus expense.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased \$9.1 million, or 5%, to \$175.4 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$166.3 million in theyear-ago period. Exchange rates unfavorably impacted general and administrative expenses by \$1.7 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The increase in general and administrative expenses was due to increases of \$3.7 million, \$1.9 million, \$1.7 million, and \$1.6 million in legal and other professional fees, premise and office expense, business development expense, and bad debt expenses, respectively, offset by a decline of \$3.6 million in integration costs during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. The rest of the change was primarily due to generating foreign exchange loss of \$2.8 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to a foreign exchange gain of \$0.6 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2017. General and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 14% in both the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Executive Search general and administrative expenses increased \$7.3 million, or 15%, to \$57.6 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 from \$50.3 million in the year-ago period. General and administrative expenses increased due to generating foreign exchange losses of \$0.3 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to a foreign exchange gain of \$1.6 million during the year-ago period and an increase in bad debt expense of \$1.2 million. The rest of the change was due to an increase of \$1.0 million in legal and other professional fees, \$0.8 million more in marketing and business development to support the higher fee revenues generated in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period and \$0.5 million increase in premise and office expense. Executive Search general and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 11% in both the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Hay Group general and administrative expenses increased \$0.9 million to \$73.3 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$72.4 million in the gear-ago period. General and administrative expenses increased due to an increase of \$1.0 million in marketing and business development to support the higher fee revenues generated in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Hay Group general and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 13% in both the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Futurestep general and administrative expenses increased \$2.6 million, or 15%, to \$20.0 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 from \$17.4 million in the year-ago period. The increase was due primarily to increases in premise and office expense and bad debt expense of \$1.0 million each in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Futurestep general and administrative expenses, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 10% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 11% in the year-ago period.

Corporate general and administrative expenses decreased \$1.6 million, or 6%, to \$24.5 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$26.1 million in the year-ago period. The decrease in general and administrative expenses was due to a decrease of \$3.6 million in integration costs associated with the Legacy Hay acquisition, offset by an increase in legal and other professional fees of \$2.1 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the nine months ended January 31, 2017.



Cost of Services Expense

Cost of services expense consists primarily ofnon-billable contractor and product costs related to the delivery of various services and products, primarily in Futurestep and Hay Group. Cost of services expense was \$53.2 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$52.3 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2017. Cost of services expense, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 4% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to 5% in the year-ago period.

Depreciation and Amortization Expenses

Depreciation and amortization expenses were \$36.9 million, an increase of \$1.9 million, or 5%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$35.0 million in the year-ago period. The increase relates primarily to technology investments made in the current and prior year in software and computer equipment, in addition to increases in leasehold improvements and furniture and fixtures.

Restructuring Charges, Net

During the nine months ended January 31, 2018, we continued the implementation of the fiscal 2016 restructuring plan to integrate Legacy Hay entities that were acquired in fiscal 2016 and recorded \$0.1 million of restructuring charges relating to the consolidation of premises.

During the nine months ended January 31, 2017, we continued the implementation of the fiscal 2016 restructuring plan in order to integrate the Hay Group entities that were acquired in fiscal 2016 by eliminating redundant positions and operational, general and administrative expenses and consolidating of office space. As a result, we recorded \$28.3 million of restructuring charges with \$11.5 million of severance costs and \$16.8 million relating to the consolidation of office space during the nine months ended January 31, 2017.

Operating Income

Operating income was \$140.6 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$81.6 million in theyear-ago period. This increase in operating income resulted from higher fee revenue of \$132.4 million and a decrease in restructuring charges, net of \$28.2 million, offset by increases of \$89.7 million in compensation and benefits expense, \$9.1 million in general and administrative expenses, \$1.9 million in depreciation and amortization expenses and \$0.9 million in cost of services expense.

Executive Search operating income increased \$8.7 million, or 9%, to \$102.4 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$93.7 million in theyear-ago period. The increase in Executive Search operating income was driven by increases in higher fee revenue of \$63.0 million and a decrease in restructuring charges, net of \$3.7 million, offset by increases in compensation and benefits expense, general and administrative expenses, cost of services expense and depreciation and amortization expenses of \$48.4 million, \$7.3 million, \$1.2 million and 1.1 million, respectively. Executive Search operating income, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 20% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to 21% in the year-ago period.

Hay Group operating income was \$72.5 million, an increase of \$41.3 million, or 132%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to operating income of \$31.2 million in the year-ago period. The increase was primarily driven by an increase in fee revenue of \$38.4 million and restructuring recoveries, net of \$0.2 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to restructuring charges, net of \$24.0 million during the year-ago period, offset by an increase of \$19.5 million in compensation and benefits expense, \$0.9 million in general and administrative expenses and an increase in cost of services expense of \$0.9 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Hay Group operating income, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 13% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 6% in the year-ago period.

Futurestep operating income was \$27.7 million, an increase of \$5.9 million, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$21.8 million in theyear-ago period. The increase in operating income was driven by higher fee revenue of \$31.0 million, offset by an increase in compensation and benefits expense of \$23.6 million and general and administrative expenses of \$2.6 million. Futurestep operating income, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 14% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to 13% in the year-ago period.

Net Income Attributable to Korn Ferry

Net income attributable to Korn Ferry increased by \$35.3 million to \$92.6 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$57.3 million in theyear-ago period. The increase was due to higher total revenue of \$129.1 million, an increase in other income, net of \$7.2 million and a decrease in net income attributable to noncontrolling interest of \$1.2 million, offset by higher operating expenses of \$70.1 million and an increase in income tax provision of \$32.4 million due to the enactment of the Tax Act compared to the year-ago period. Net income attributable to Korn Ferry, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 7% for the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to 5% in the year-ago period.



Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$24.4 million to \$199.3 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$174.9 million in theyear-ago period. This increase was driven by higher adjusted fee revenue of \$128.9 million and an increase of \$7.2 million in other income, net primarily due to the change in the fair value of our marketable securities, offset by increases of \$98.1 million in compensation and benefits expense (excluding integration costs), \$12.7 million in general and administrative expenses (excluding integration costs) and \$0.9 million in cost of services expense compared to the year-ago period. Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of adjusted fee revenue, was 15% in both the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA increased \$7.1 million, or 7%, to \$110.3 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$103.2 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2017. The increase was driven by higher fee revenue of \$63.0 million, offset by increases of \$48.4 million in compensation and benefits expense and \$7.3 million in general and administrative expenses during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Executive Search Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 21% in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to 23% in the year-ago period.

Hay Group Adjusted EBITDA was \$103.3 million, an increase of \$8.1 million, or 9%, in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$95.2 million in the year-ago period. The increase was driven by higher adjusted fee revenue of \$34.9 million, offset by increases of \$25.0 million in compensation and benefits expense (excluding integration costs), \$0.9 million in general and administrative expenses and an increase in cost of services expense of \$0.9 million during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Hay Group Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of adjusted fee revenue, was 18% in both the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Futurestep Adjusted EBITDA was \$30.0 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, an increase of \$6.0 million, as compared to \$24.0 million in the gear-ago period. The increase was driven by higher fee revenue of \$31.0 million, offset by increases of \$23.6 million in compensation and benefits expense and \$2.6 million in general and administrative expenses during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period. Futurestep Adjusted EBITDA, as a percentage of fee revenue, was 15% in both the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017.

Other Income. Net

Other income, net was \$14.8 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$7.6 million in theyear-ago period. The increase was primarily due to the change in the fair value of our marketable securities, where there was a larger gain during the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period.

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net primarily relates to our term loan facility and borrowings under our COLI policies, which is partially offset by interest earned on cash and cash equivalent balances. Interest expense, net was \$7.9 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to \$8.2 million in the year-ago period.

Income Tax Provision

The provision for income tax was \$54.1 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to \$21.7 million in theyear-ago period. This reflects a 37% and 27% effective tax rate for the nine months ended January 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The current fiscal year effective tax rate was significantly impacted by the December 22, 2017 enactment of the Tax Act as a result of which, Korn Ferry recorded a provisional tax charge of \$16.3 million for the Transition Tax and a provisional tax benefit of \$5.8 million from the remeasurement of our U.S. federal deferred tax assets and liabilities. Korn Ferry will continue to appropriately refine these amounts within the measurement period allowed by SAB No.118, which will be completed no later than December 22, 2018.

Net Income Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest represents the portion of a subsidiary's net earnings that are attributable to shares of such subsidiary not held by Korn Ferry that are included in the consolidated results of operations. Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest for the nine months ended January 31, 2018 was \$1.0 million compared to \$2.2 million for the nine months ended January 31, 2017.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company and its Board of Directors endorse a balanced approach to capital allocation. The Company's priority is to invest in growth initiatives, such as the hiring of consultants, the continued development of intellectual property and derivative products and services, and the investment in synergistic accretive merger and acquisition transactions that earn a return that is superior to the Company's cost of capital. Next, the Company's capital allocation approach contemplates the planned return of a portion of excess capital to stockholders, in the form of a regular quarterly dividend, subject to the factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2017. Additionally, the Company considers share repurchases on an opportunistic basis and subject to the terms of our credit agreement.



On June 15, 2016, we entered into a senior secured \$400 million Credit Agreement with a syndicate of banks and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as administrative agent, to provide for enhanced financial flexibility and in recognition of the accelerated pace of the Legacy Hay integration. See Note 10 — Long-Term Debt for a description of the credit facility. We drew down \$275 million on the term loan and used \$140 million of the proceeds to pay-off the term loan that was outstanding as of April 30, 2016. We had \$2.9 million and \$3.0 million standby letters of credit issued under our long-term debt arrangements as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. We had a total of \$7.3 million and \$8.1 million of standby letters of credits with other financial institutions as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The standby letters of credits were generally issued as a result of entering into office premise leases.

As part of the Legacy Hay acquisition, the Company has committed to a \$40 million retention pool (of which \$23.5 million has been paid) for certain employees of Legacy Hay subject to certain circumstances. The remaining balance will be payable within 45 days after November 30, 2018.

On December 8, 2014, the Board of Directors adopted a dividend policy to distribute, to our stockholders, a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per share. Every quarter since the adoption of the dividend policy, the Company has declared a quarterly dividend. The declaration and payment of future dividends under the quarterly dividend program will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and will depend upon many factors, including our earnings, capital requirements, financial conditions, the terms of our indebtedness and other factors our Board of Directors may deem to be relevant. Our Board of Directors may, however, amend, revoke or suspend our dividend policy at any time and for any reason.

On December 8, 2014, the Board of Directors also approved an increase in the Company's stock repurchase program to an aggregate of \$150.0 million. Common stock may be repurchased from time to time in open market or privately negotiated transactions at the Company's discretion subject to market conditions and other factors. During the third quarter of fiscal 2017, we resumed repurchasing shares through this program. We repurchased approximately \$32.6 million of the Company's common stock during the nine months ended January 31, 2018. As of January 31, 2018, \$88.6 million remained available for common stock repurchases under our stock repurchase program. Any decision to continue to execute our currently outstanding issuer repurchase program will depend on our earnings, capital requirements, financial condition and other factors considered relevant by our Board of Directors. Our senior secured credit agreement requires that our pro forma leverage ratio, defined as the ratio of consolidated funded indebtedness to consolidated adjusted EBITDA, is no greater than 2.50 to 1.00, and our pro forma domestic liquidity is at least \$50.0 million as a condition to consummating permitted acquisitions, paying dividends to our stockholders and share repurchases of our common stock.

Our performance is subject to the general level of economic activity in the geographic regions and the industries which we service. We believe, based on current economic conditions, that our cash on hand and funds from operations and the Credit Agreement we entered into on June 15, 2016 will be sufficient to meet anticipated working capital, capital expenditures, general corporate requirements, repayment of the debt incurred in connection with the Legacy Hay acquisition, the retention pool obligations in connection with the Legacy Hay acquisition, shares repurchases and dividend payments under our dividend policy during the next twelve months. However, if the national or global economy, credit market conditions and/or labor markets were to deteriorate in the future, such changes could put negative pressure on demand for our services and affect our operating cash flows. If these conditions were to persist over an extended period of time, we may incur negative cash flows and it might require us to access our existing credit facility to meet our capital needs and/or discontinue our share repurchases and dividend policy.

Cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities were \$529.0 million and \$530.8 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. Net of amounts held in trust for deferred compensation plans and accrued bonuses, cash and marketable securities were \$242.1 million and \$245.1 million at January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, we held \$210.4 million and \$165.8 million, respectively of cash and cash equivalents in foreign locations, net of amounts held in trust for deferred compensation plans and to pay fiscal 2018 and 2017 annual bonuses. Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and highly liquid investments purchased with original maturities of three months or less. Marketable securities consist of mutual funds in the nine months ended January 31, 2018. The primary objectives of our investment in mutual funds are to meet the obligations under certain of our deferred compensation plans.

As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, marketable securities of \$139.0 million (net of gross unrealized gains of \$15.5 million and gross unrealized losses of \$0.7 million) and \$119.9 million (net of gross unrealized gains of \$6.7 million and gross unrealized losses of \$0.6 million), respectively, were held in trust for settlement of our obligations under certain deferred compensation plans, of which \$124.2 million and \$115.6 million, respectively, are classified as non-current. These marketable securities were held to satisfy vested obligations totaling \$122.3 million and \$99.5 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. Unvested obligations under the deferred compensation plans totaled \$29.7 million and \$37.6 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively.

The net increase in our working capital of \$40.1 million as of January 31, 2018 compared to April 30, 2017 is primarily attributable to an increase in accounts receivable and a decrease in compensation and benefits payable, offset by decreases in cash and cash equivalents. The increase in accounts receivable was due to an increase in days of sales outstanding which went from 61 days to 69 days (which is consistent with historical experience) from April 30, 2017 to January 31, 2018. The decrease in compensation and benefits payable and cash and cash equivalents was primarily due to the payment of annual



bonuses earned in fiscal 2017 and paid during the first quarter of fiscal 2018, with cash and cash equivalents also decreasing due to sign-on and retention payments made during the quarter. Cash provided by operating activities was \$59.6 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, an increase of \$45.9 million, compared to \$13.7 million in the year-ago period.

Cash used in investing activities was \$32.2 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018, an increase of \$19.8 million, compared to \$12.4 million in the period. Cash used in investing activities was higher due to a decrease in proceeds from sales/maturities of marketable securities, offset by less cash used for the purchases of property and equipment and proceeds received from life insurance policies in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period.

Cash used in financing activities was \$64.6 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to cash provided by financing activities of \$89.1 million in the year-ago period. The change from cash provided by financing activities to cash used in financing activities was primarily due to a decrease of \$135.0 million in proceeds from our term loan facility net of pay-off of the term loan that was outstanding as of April 30, 2016, \$5.2 million more in term loan payments and an increase of shares repurchased under the stock repurchase program of \$16.3 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 compared to the year-ago period.

Cash Surrender Value of Company Owned Life Insurance Policies, Net of Loans

The Company purchased COLI policies or contracts insuring the lives of certain employees eligible to participate in the deferred compensation and pension plans as a means of funding benefits under such plans. As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, we held contracts with gross CSV of \$185.0 million and \$180.3 million, respectively. Total outstanding borrowings against the CSV of COLI contracts were \$66.8 million and \$67.2 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. Such borrowings do not require annual principal repayments, bear interest primarily at variable rates and are secured by the CSV of COLI contracts. At January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, the net cash value of these policies was \$118.2 million and \$113.1 million, respectively.

Long-Term Debt

On June 15, 2016, we entered into a senior secured \$400 million Credit Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with a syndicate of banks and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as administrative agent. The Credit Agreement provides for, among other things: (a) a senior secured term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$275 million (the "Term Facility"), (b) a senior secured revolving credit facility (the "Revolver" and together with the Term Facility, the "Credit Facilities") in an aggregate principal amount of \$125 million, (c) annual term loan amortization of 7.5%, 7.5%, 10.0%, 10.0% and 10.0%, with the remaining principal due at maturity, (d) certain customary affirmative and negative covenants, including a maximum consolidated total leverage ratio (as defined below) and a minimum interest coverage ratio and (e) an expanded definition of permitted add-backs to Adjusted EBITDA in recognition of the accelerated integration actions. Our credit agreement permits payment of dividends to stockholders and share repurchases so long as the pro forma leverage ratio is no greater than 2.50 to 1.00, and the pro forma domestic liquidity is at least \$50.0 million. We drew down \$275 million on the term loan and used \$140 million of the proceeds to pay-off the term loan that was outstanding as of April 30, 2016.

At our option, loans issued under the Credit Agreement will bear interest at either LIBOR or an alternate base rate, in each case plus the applicable interest rate margin. The interest rate applicable to loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities may fluctuate between LIBOR plus 1.25% per annum to LIBOR plus 2.00% per annum, in the case of LIBOR borrowings (or between the alternate base rate plus 0.25% per annum and the alternate base rate plus 1.00% per annum, in the alternative), based upon our total funded debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio (as set forth in the Credit Agreement, the "consolidated leverage ratio") at such time. In addition, we will be required to pay to the lenders a quarterly fee ranging from 0.20% to 0.35% per annum on the average daily unused amount of the Term Facility, based upon our consolidated leverage ratio at such time and fees relating to the issuance of letters of credit. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the average rate on the Term Facility was 2.65% and 2.49%, respectively. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2017, the average rate was 2.06% and 2.29%, respectively.

Both the Revolver and the Term Facility mature on June 15, 2021 and may be prepaid and terminated early by us at any time without premium or penalty (subject to customary LIBOR breakage fees). The Term Facility is payable in quarterly installments with principal payments totalling \$15.5 million made during the nine months ended January 31, 2018. As of January 31, 2018, \$244.1 million was outstanding under the Term Facility compared to \$259.5 million as of April 30, 2017. The current and long-term portion of unamortized debt issuance costs associated with the long-term debt, was \$2.9 million and \$3.5 million as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The fair value of our Term Facility is based on borrowing rates currently required of loans with similar terms, maturity and credit risk. The carrying amount of the Term Facility approximates fair value because the base interest rate charged varies with market conditions and the credit spread is commensurate with current market spreads for issuers of similar risk. The fair value of the Term Facility is classified as a Level 2 liability in the fair value hierarchy. As of January 31, 2018, we were in compliance with our debt covenants.

As of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, we had no borrowings under the Revolver. We had \$2.9 million of standby letters of credits issued under our long-term debt arrangements as of January 31, 2018 compared to \$3.0 million as of April 30, 2017. We had a total of \$7.3 million and \$8.1 million of standby letters of credits with other financial institutions as of January 31.



2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively. The standby letters of credits were generally issued as a result of entering into office premise leases.

We are not aware of any other trends, demands or commitments that would materially affect liquidity or those that relate to our resources.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements and have not entered into any transactions involving unconsolidated, special purpose entities. We had no material changes in contractual obligations as of January 31, 2018, as compared to those disclosed in our table of contractual obligations included in our Annual Report.

Critical Accounting Policies

Preparation of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions and changes in the estimates are reported in current operations as new information is learned or upon the amounts becoming fixed and determinable. In preparing our interim consolidated financial statements and accounting for the underlying transactions and balances, we apply our accounting policies as disclosed in the notes to our consolidated financial statements. We consider the policies related to revenue recognition, performance related bonuses, deferred compensation, carrying values of receivables, goodwill, intangible assets, fair value of contingent consideration and recoverability of deferred income taxes as critical to an understanding of our interim consolidated financial statements because their application places the most significant demands on management's judgment and estimates. Specific risks for these critical accounting policies are described in our Form 10-K filed with the Securities Exchange Commission. There have been no material changes in our critical accounting policies since fiscal 2017.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

As a result of our global operating activities, we are exposed to certain market risks, including foreign currency exchange fluctuations and fluctuations in interest rates. We manage our exposure to these risks in the normal course of our business as described below.

Foreign Currency Risk

Substantially all our foreign subsidiaries' operations are measured in their local currencies. Assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars at the rates of exchange in effect at the end of each reporting period and revenue and expenses are translated at average rates of exchange during the reporting period. Resulting translation adjustments are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net on our consolidated balance sheets.

Transactions denominated in a currency other than the reporting entity's functional currency may give rise to foreign currency gains or losses that impact our results of operations. Historically, we have not realized significant foreign currency gains or losses on such transactions. Foreign currency losses, on an after tax basis, included in net income were \$1.8 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2018 as compared to foreign currency gains, on an after tax basis, included in net income were \$0.4 million in the nine months ended January 31, 2017.

Our exposure to foreign currency exchange rates is primarily driven by fluctuations involving the following currencies – U.S. Dollar, Canadian Dollar, Euro, Pound Sterling, Swiss Franc, Korean Won, Brazilian Real, Singapore Dollar and Mexican Peso. Based on balances exposed to fluctuation in exchange rates between these currencies as of January 31, 2018, a 10% increase or decrease equally in the value of these currencies could result in a foreign exchange gain or loss of \$10.0 million. We have a program that primarily utilizes foreign currency forward contracts to offset the risks associated with the effects of certain foreign currency exposures. These foreign currency forward contracts are neither used for trading purposes nor are they designated as hedging instruments pursuant to Accounting Standards Codification 815. Derivatives and Hedging.

Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to interest rate risk is limited to our Term Facility and borrowings against the CSV of COLI contracts. As of January 31, 2018, there was \$244.1 million outstanding under the Term Facility. At our option, loans issued under the Credit Facilities bear interest at either LIBOR or an alternate base rate, in each case plus the applicable interest rate margin. The interest rate applicable to loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities may fluctuate between LIBOR plus 1.25% per annum to LIBOR plus 2.00% per annum, in the case of LIBOR borrowings (or between the alternate base rate plus 0.25% per annum and the alternate base rate plus 1.00% per annum, in the alternative), based upon our total funded debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio (as set forth in the Credit Agreement, the "consolidated leverage ratio") at such time. In addition, we are required to pay the lenders a quarterly fee ranging from 0.20% to 0.35% per annum on the average daily unused amount of the Term Facility, based upon our consolidated leverage ratio at such time and fees relating to the issuance of letters of credit. A 100 basis point increase in LIBOR rates would have increased our interest expense by approximately \$0.6 million and \$1.9 million for the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, respectively. During the three and nine months ended January 31, 2018, the



average interest rate on the term loan was 2.65% and 2.49%, respectively. We had no borrowings under the Revolver as of January 31, 2018.

To mitigate the interest rate risk on our Term Facility, we entered into an interest rate swap contract with an initial notional amount of \$129.8 million to hedge the variability to changes in cash flows attributable to interest rate risks caused by changes in interest rates related to our variable rate debt. We have designated the swap as a cash flow hedge. The notional amount is amortized so that the amount is always 50% of the principal balance of the debt outstanding. As of January 31, 2018, the notional amount was \$122.0 million. The interest rate swap agreement matures on June 15, 2021 and locks the interest rates on 50% of our outstanding debt at 1.919%, exclusive of the credit spread on the debt.

We had \$66.8 million and \$67.2 million of borrowings against the CSV of COLI contracts as of January 31, 2018 and April 30, 2017, respectively, bearing interest primarily at variable rates. The risk of fluctuations in these variable rates is minimized by the fact that we receive a corresponding adjustment to our borrowed funds crediting rate which has the effect of increasing the CSV on our COLI contracts.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

Based on their evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) conducted as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) are effective.

b) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended January 31, 2018 that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.



PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, the Company has been and is involved in litigation incidental to its business. The Company is currently not a party to any litigation, which, if resolved adversely against the Company, would, in the opinion of management, after consultation with legal counsel, have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial position or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

In our Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2017, we described material risk factors facing our business. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations. Except as set forth below, as of the date of this report, there have been no material changes to the risk factors described in our Form 10-K.

The effects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on our business and our company have not yet been fully analyzed and the final impacts could be materially different from our current estimates.

On December 22, 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("the "Tax Act") was enacted into law, making significant changes to the taxation of U.S. business entities. The most significant impacts of the Tax Act on the Company include (1) a reduction in the U.S. corporate federal statutory income tax rate from 35.0% to 21.0% effective January 1, 2018, and (2) a one-time tax on accumulated foreign earnings (the "Transition Tax"), which is applicable at a rate of 15.5% on cash and other specified assets and 8% on other residual earnings. We have recorded in our consolidated financial statements provisional amounts based on our current estimates of the effects of the Tax Act in accordance with our current understanding of the Tax Act and currently available guidance. For additional information regarding the Tax Act and the provisional tax amounts recorded in our consolidated financial statements, refer to Note 11 — *Income Taxes* to the financial statements of this Quarterly Report. The final amounts may be significantly affected by regulations and interpretive guidance expected to be issued by the tax authorities, clarifications of the accounting treatment of various items, our additional analysis, and our refinement of our estimates of the effects of the Tax Act and, therefore, such final amounts could be materially different than our current provisional amounts, which could materially affect our tax obligations and effective tax rate.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities, Use of Proceeds and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The following table summarizes common stock repurchased by us during the quarter ended January 31, 2018:

	Shares Purchased (1)	Pı	Average rice Paid er Share	Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Programs (2)	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet be Purchased Under the Programs (2)
November 1, 2017—November 30, 2017	_	\$	_	_	\$91.9 million
December 1, 2017— December 31, 2017	64,919	\$	41.10	60,800	\$89.4 million
January 1, 2018—January 31, 2018	20,534	\$	40.66	20,000	\$88.6 million
Total	85,453	\$	41.00	80,800	

⁽¹⁾ Represents withholding of a portion of restricted shares to cover taxes on vested restricted shares and shares purchased as part of our publicly announced programs.

Our senior secured credit agreement, dated June 15, 2016, permits us to pay dividends to our stockholders and share repurchases so long as our pro forma leverage ratio, defined as the ratio of consolidated funded indebtedness to consolidated adjusted EBITDA, is no greater than 2.50 to 1.00 and our pro forma domestic liquidity is at least \$50.0 million.

⁽²⁾ On December 8, 2014, the Board of Directors approved an increase in the Company's stock repurchase program to an aggregate of \$150.0 million. The shares can be repurchased in open market transactions or privately negotiated transactions at the Company's discretion. We repurchased approximately \$3.3 million of the Company's common stock under the program during the third quarter of



Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
31.1	Chief Executive Officer Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act.
31.1	Chief Financial Officer Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Exchange Act.
32.1	Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.



SIGNATURES

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

Korn/Ferry International

By: /s/Robert P. Rozek
Robert P. Rozek
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
and Chief Corporate Officer

Date: March 9, 2018



CERTIFICATIONS

I, Gary D. Burnison, certify that:

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

By: /s/ GARY D. BURNISON
Name: Gary D. Burnison

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: March 9, 2018



CERTIFICATIONS

I, Robert P. Rozek, certify that:

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

By: /s/ ROBERT P. ROZEK
Name: Robert P. Rozek

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Corporate Officer

Date: March 9, 2018



EXHIBIT 32.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

Pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officers of Korn/Ferry International, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), hereby certify that, to the best of their knowledge:

- the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended January 31, 2018 (the 'Report') of the Company fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (b) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 9, 2018

By: /s/ GARY D. BURNISON Name: Gary D. Burnison

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

By: /s/ ROBERT P. ROZEK Name:

Robert P. Rozek
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Corporate Officer Title: