

CAPITAL SOUTHWEST CORP  
Form 40-17F2  
February 27, 2013

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

FORM N-17f-2

Certificate of Accounting of Securities and Similar  
Investments in the Custody of  
Management Investment Companies

Pursuant to Rule 17f-2 [17 CFR 270.17f-2]

1. Investment Company Act File Number:

811-1056

Date examination completed:

January 22, 2013

2. State identification Number :

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| AL | AK | AZ | AR          | CA | CO |
| CT | DE | DC | FL          | GA | HI |
| ID | IL | IN | IA          | KS | KY |
| LA | ME | MD | MA          | MI | MN |
| MS | MO | MT | NE          | NV | NH |
| NJ | NM | NY | NC          | ND | OH |
| OK | OR | PA | RI          | SC | SD |
| TN | TX | UT | VT          | VA | WA |
| WV | WI | WY | PUERTO RICO |    |    |

Other (specify )

3. Exact name of investment company as specified in registration statement :

Capital Southwest Corporation

4. Address of principal executive office (number, street, city, state, zip code):

12900 Preston Road, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75230

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811-1947

Date examination completed :

January 22, 2013

2. State identification Number :

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Other (specify) :

3. Exact name of investment company as specified in registration statement:

Capital Southwest Venture Corporation

4. Address of principal executive office (number, street, city, state, zip code):

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors of  
Capital Southwest Corporation and Subsidiaries:

We have examined management's assertion, included in the accompanying Management Statement Regarding Compliance With Certain Provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, that Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiary (the "Company") complied with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") as of January 22, 2013. Management is responsible for the Company's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assertion about the Company's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Company's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. Included among our procedures were the following tests performed as of January 22, 2013, and with respect to agreement of security purchases and sales, for the period from October 10, 2012 (the date of our last examination) through January 22, 2013:

- Confirmation of all securities held by Morgan Stanley Smith Barney ("Custodian").
- Reconciliation of all such securities to the books and records of the Company and the Custodian.
- Agreement of additional investments in four existing portfolio companies, sale of investments in two portfolio companies, conversion of debt securities to stock in one portfolio company and return of capital of five portfolio companies since our last report from the books and records of the Company to the bank statements.

We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Company's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, management's assertion that Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiaries complied with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 as of January 22, 2013, with respect to securities reflected in the investment account of the Company is fairly stated, in all material respects.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the Board of Directors of Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiaries and the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Dallas, Texas  
February 27, 2013

Management Statement Regarding Compliance  
With Certain Provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940

We, as members of management of Capital Southwest Corporation and subsidiary (the "Company"), are responsible for complying with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2, "Custody of Investments by Registered Management Investment Companies," of the Investment Company Act of 1940. We are also responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal controls over compliance with those requirements. We have performed an evaluation of the Company's compliance with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 as of January 22, 2013 and from October 10, 2012 through January 22, 2013.

Based on this evaluation, we assert that the Company was in compliance with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c) of rule 17f-2 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 as of January 22, 2013 and from October 10, 2012 through January 22, 2013 with respect to securities reflected in the investment account of the Company.

Capital Southwest Corporation

By: /s/ Tracy L. Morris  
Tracy L. Morris  
Chief Financial Officer

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