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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CION Ares Management, LLC</u> | | | CI | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CION Ares Diversified Credit Fund [CADFX] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issu (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Own | | | | | wner | | |
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| (Street) LOS AN (City) | GELES CA | | 90067 (Zip) | | 4. If | Ame | endment, | Date o | f Original | Filed | I (Month/Da | ay/Yeaı | r) | | Individue) | Form | Joint/Group filed by One filed by Mor on | Report | ting Pers | on |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | Execu h/Day/Year) if any | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | | ties Acquired (A) l Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | and Securi | | ties cially Following | 6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Inst | Direct ndirect | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (<i>A</i> | A) or O) | Price | Transa | | eu ction(s) 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Class W Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | | | 12/20/2018 | | | | | P | | 39.857 | | A \$25. | | .09 39.857 | | D | | | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Security 3. Transaction Date Execution Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/ | | Execution if any | Date, | | ransaction Code (Instr. | | of | | 6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | str. 3 | 8. Prio Deriva Secur (Instr. | ative rity . 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | nership m: ect (D) ndirect | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | | (A) | (D) | | | Expiration Date | Amount or Number of Shares | | nber | | | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Daniel J. Hall for CION Ares Management, LLC

12/21/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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