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NOTICE OF JOINT ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
MARCH 29, 2017

To the stockholders of AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund, Inc. ("AGHIF"), AllianceBernstein National Municipal Income Fund, Inc. ("ANMIF") and Alliance California Municipal Income Fund, Inc. ("ACMIF"):

Notice is hereby given that a Joint Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Meeting") of AGHIF, ANMIF and ACMIF, each of which is a Maryland corporation (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"), will be held at the offices of the Funds, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, 41/st/ Floor, New York, New York 10105, on March 29, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, for the following purposes, each of which is more fully described in the accompanying Proxy Statement dated February 22, 2017:

1. To elect Class Two Directors of each Fund, each such Director to hold office for a term of three years and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualifies; and
2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof.

Any stockholder of record of AGHIF, ANMIF or ACMIF at the close of business on February 13, 2017 is entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof. The enclosed proxy is being solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors of each Fund.

By Order of the Boards of Directors,

Emilie D. Wrapp
Secretary

New York, New York
February 22, 2017

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR VOTING INSTRUCTIONS ON THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD, SIGN AND DATE IT, AND RETURN IT IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED, WHICH NEEDS NO POSTAGE IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES. YOU MAY ALSO, BY TELEPHONE OR THROUGH THE INTERNET, AUTHORIZE PROXIES TO CAST YOUR VOTE. TO DO SO, PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD. YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT NO MATTER HOW MANY SHARES YOU OWN. PLEASE COMPLETE, DATE, SIGN AND RETURN YOUR PROXY PROMPTLY IN ORDER TO SAVE THE FUNDS ANY ADDITIONAL COST OF FURTHER PROXY SOLICITATION AND IN ORDER FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD AS SCHEDULED.

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PROXY STATEMENT

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN GLOBAL HIGH INCOME FUND, INC.
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JOINT ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
MARCH 29, 2017

INTRODUCTION

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies on behalf of the respective Boards of Directors (collectively, the "Board") of AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund, Inc. ("AGHIF"), AllianceBernstein National Municipal Income Fund, Inc. ("ANMIF") and Alliance California Municipal Income Fund, Inc. ("ACMIF"), each of which is a Maryland corporation (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"), to be voted at a Joint Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Funds (the "Meeting"), to be held at the offices of the Funds, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105, on March 29, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time. The solicitation will be by mail and the cost for each Fund will be borne by that Fund. The Notice of Meeting, Proxy Statement and Proxy Card are being mailed to stockholders on or about February 22, 2017.

Any stockholder who owned shares of AGHIF, ANMIF and ACMIF at the close of

business on February 13, 2017 (the "Record Date") is entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting and any postponement or adjournment thereof. Each share is entitled to one vote.

As permitted by law, only one copy of this Proxy Statement may be delivered to a Fund's stockholders residing at the same address, unless such stockholders have notified the Fund of their desire to receive multiple copies of the shareholder reports and proxy statements that the Fund sends. If you would like to receive an additional copy, please call (800) 227-4618 or write to Cathleen Crandall at AllianceBernstein L.P., 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105. The Fund will then promptly deliver, upon request, a separate copy of this Proxy Statement to any stockholder residing at an address to which only one copy was mailed. Stockholders of a Fund wishing to receive separate copies of the Fund's shareholder reports and proxy statements in the future, and stockholders sharing an address that wish to receive a single copy if they are receiving multiple copies, should also send a request as indicated.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2017. THE PROXY STATEMENT IS AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT WWW.ABGLOBAL.COM/ABFUNDSPROXY.

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PROPOSAL ONE
ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Under the Funds' respective Charters and Bylaws, the Board has been divided into three classes of Directors serving staggered terms of three years. Generally, one class of Directors is nominated each year by the Board for election by the Fund's stockholders. For all of the Funds, the terms of Class Two Directors will expire as of the Meeting, the terms of Class Three Directors will expire as of the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2018, and the terms of Class One Directors will expire as of the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2019. Upon expiration of the terms of the Directors of each class as set forth above, their successors in that class will be elected to serve for a term of three years and until their successors are duly elected and qualify.

Under this classified Board structure, it would require two years of annual meeting elections to change a majority of the Board of Directors of a Fund, although Maryland law provides that stockholders may remove Directors under certain circumstances, even if such Directors are not then standing for re-election. This classified Board structure, which may be regarded as an "anti-takeover" provision, may make it more difficult for a Fund's stockholders to change the majority of Directors of the Fund and, thus, have the effect of maintaining the continuity of management.

At the Meeting, the holders of the preferred stock of ANMIF and ACMIF, including each series of Auction Preferred Shares and of the Variable Rate MuniFund Term Preferred Shares (the "Preferred Stockholders") will have equal voting rights with the holders of the common stock of ANMIF and ACMIF (i.e., one vote per share), respectively, and will vote together with the holders of the common stock as a single class on proposals that may be properly presented at the Meeting applicable to their respective Funds, as described below. The Preferred Stockholders, voting separately as a class, have the right to elect two Directors of their respective Fund ("Preferred Directors"). The Preferred Directors are John H. Dobkin and Michael J. Downey and each is a member of Class One of ANMIF and ACMIF. While the Preferred Stockholders have the right to elect the Preferred Directors, they are not standing for election at the Meeting because the terms of the Class One Directors do not expire until 2019.

At the Meeting, William H. Foulk, Jr. and Carol C. McMullen are standing for election in Class Two of each Fund, and Robert M. Keith is standing for election in Class Two of ANMIF and ACMIF. Each nominee has consented to serve as a Director. The Board knows of no reason why any of the nominees will be unable to serve, but in the event any nominee is unable to serve, or for good cause will not serve, the proxies received indicating a vote in favor of such nominee will be voted for such substitute nominee as the Board may recommend.

The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by a Fund's Preferred Stockholders (as applicable) and common stockholders voting together as a single class is required to elect a Director. It is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed proxy to vote in favor of the election of each of the nominees.

Certain information concerning each person nominated for election as a Director by the Board and each person currently serving and continuing as a Director after the Meeting is set forth below.1

NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	YEAR TERM AS A DIRECTOR WILL EXPIRE	YEARS OF SERVICE**	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS AND OTHER INFORMATION	NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN AB FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY DIRECTOR	OTHER C DIR CU H D
INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS Chairman of the Board Marshall C. Turner, Jr., # 75	Class Three (2018)	Each Fund: 12	Private Investor since prior to 2012. Former Chairman and CEO of Dupont Photomasks, Inc. (components of semiconductor manufacturing). He has extensive operating leadership and venture capital investing experience, including five interim or full-time CEO roles, and prior service as general partner of institutional venture capital partnerships. He also has extensive non-profit board leadership experience, and currently serves on the boards of two education and science-related non-profit organizations. He has served as a director of one AB Fund since 1992, and director or trustee of multiple AB Funds since 2005. He has been Chairman of the AB Funds since January 2014, and the Chairman of the Independent Directors	106	Xil (pr log con sin

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Committees of such AB Funds since February 2014.

John H. Dobkin, # 75	Class One (ANMIF and ACMIF 2019)	ANMIF and ACMIF: 15	Independent Consultant since prior to 2012. Formerly, President of Save Venice, Inc. (preservation organization) from 2001-2002; Senior Advisor from June 1999-June 2000 and President of Historic Hudson Valley (historic preservation) from December 1989-May 1999. Previously, he was Director of the National Academy of Design. He has served as a director or trustee of various AB Funds since 1992 and as Chairman of the Audit Committees of a number of such AB Funds from 2001 until 2008.	106	Non
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 1 The Board of ANMIF and ACMIF determined to fix the number of Class Two Directors at three, and the Board of AGHIF determined to fix the number of Class Two Directors at two, effective as of the Meeting.

NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	YEAR TERM AS A DIRECTOR WILL EXPIRE	YEARS OF SERVICE**	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS AND OTHER INFORMATION	NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN AB FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY DIRECTOR	OTHER COM DIRECT CURR HEL DIR
Michael J. Downey, # 73	Class One (Each Fund 2019)	Each Fund: 12	Private Investor since prior to 2012. Formerly, managing partner of Lexington Capital, LLC (investment advisory firm) from December 1997 until December 2003. He served as a Director of Prospect Acquisition Corp. (financial services) from 2007 until 2009. From 1987 until 1993, Chairman and CEO of Prudential Mutual Fund Management, director of the Prudential mutual funds, and member of the Executive Committee of Prudential Securities Inc. He has served as a director or trustee of the AB Funds	106	The As Pacifi Fund, (regis invest compan since 2012

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since 2005 and is a director and chairman of one other registered investment company.

William H. Foulk, Jr., # 84	Class Two (2020)+	AGHIF: 24 ANMIF and ACMIF: 15	Investment Adviser and an Independent Consultant since prior to 2012. Previously, he was Senior Manager of Barrett Associates, Inc., a registered investment adviser. He was formerly Deputy Comptroller and Chief Investment Officer of the State of New York and, prior thereto, Chief Investment Officer of the New York Bank for Savings. He has served as a director or trustee of various AB Funds since 1983, and was Chairman of the Independent Directors Committees of the AB Funds from 2003 until early February 2014. He served as Chairman of such AB Funds from 2003 through December 2013. He is also active in a number of mutual fund related organizations and committees.	106	None
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NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	YEAR TERM AS A DIRECTOR WILL EXPIRE	YEARS OF SERVICE**	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS AND OTHER INFORMATION	NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN AB FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY DIRECTOR	OTHER PUBLIC COMPANY DIRECTORSHIP CURRENTLY HELD BY DIRECTOR
Nancy P. Jacklin, # 68	Class One (Each Fund 2019)	Each Fund: 11	Private investor since prior to 2012. Professorial Lecturer at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (2008-2015). U.S. Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund (which is responsible for ensuring the stability of the international monetary system), (December 2002-May 2006); Partner, Clifford Chance (1992-2002); Sector	106	None

Counsel, International Banking and Finance, and Associate General Counsel, Citicorp (1985-1992); Assistant General Counsel (International), Federal Reserve Board of Governors (1982-1985); and Attorney Advisor, U.S. Department of the Treasury (1973-1982). Member of the Bar of the District of Columbia and of New York; and member of the Council on Foreign Relations. She has served as a director or trustee of the AB Funds since 2006 and has been Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committees of the AB Funds since August 2014.

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NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	YEAR TERM AS A DIRECTOR WILL EXPIRE	YEARS OF SERVICE**	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS AND OTHER INFORMATION	NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN AB FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY DIRECTOR	OTHER PUBLIC COMPANY DIRECTORSHIPS CURRENTLY HELD BY DIRECTOR
Carol C. McMullen, # 61	Class Two (Each Fund 2020)+	Each Fund: 1	Managing Director of Slalom Consulting (consulting) since 2014, private investor and member of the Partners Healthcare Investment Committee. Formerly, Director of Norfolk & Dedham Group (mutual property and casualty insurance) from 2011 until November 2016; Director of Partners Community Physicians Organization (healthcare) from 2014 until December 2016; and Managing Director of The Crossland Group (consulting) from 2012 until 2013. She has held a number of senior positions in the asset and wealth management industries, including at Eastern Bank	106	None

(where her roles included President of Eastern Wealth Management), Thomson Financial (Global Head of Sales for Investment Management), and Putnam Investments (where her roles included Head of Global Investment Research). She has served on a number of private company and nonprofit boards, and as a director or trustee of the AB Funds since June 2016.

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NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	YEAR TERM AS A DIRECTOR WILL EXPIRE	YEARS OF SERVICE**	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS AND OTHER INFORMATION	NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN AB FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY DIRECTOR	OTHER PUBLIC COMPANY DIRECTORSHIPS CURRENTLY HELD BY DIRECTOR
Garry L. Moody, # 64	Class Three Fund (Each Fund 2018)	Each Fund: 9	Independent Consultant. Formerly, Partner, Deloitte & Touche LLP (1995- 2008), where he held a number of senior positions, including Vice Chairman, and U.S. and Global Investment Management Practice Managing Partner; President, Fidelity Accounting and Custody Services Company (1993- 1995), where he was responsible for accounting, pricing, custody and reporting for the Fidelity mutual funds; and Partner, Ernst & Young LLP (1975- 1993), where he served as the National Director of Mutual Fund Tax Services and Managing Partner of its Chicago Office Tax Department. He is a member of the Trustee Advisory Board of BoardIQ, a biweekly publication focused on issues and news affecting directors of mutual funds.	106	None

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He has served as a director or trustee, and as Chairman of the Audit Committees of the AB Funds since 2008.

Earl D. Weiner, # 77	Class Three (Each Fund 2018)	Each Fund: 10	Of Counsel, and Partner prior to January 2007, of the law firm Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and is a former member of the ABA Federal Regulation of Securities Committee Task Force to draft editions of the Fund Director's Guidebook. He also serves as a director or trustee of various non-profit organizations and has served as Chairman or Vice Chairman of a number of them. He has served as a director or trustee of the AB Funds since 2007 and served as Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committees of the AB Funds from 2007 until August 2014.	106	None
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NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	YEAR TERM AS A DIRECTOR WILL EXPIRE	YEARS OF SERVICE**	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S) DURING PAST 5 YEARS AND OTHER INFORMATION	NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS IN AB FUND COMPLEX OVERSEEN BY DIRECTOR	OTHER PUBLIC COMPANY DIRECTORSHIPS CURRENTLY HELD BY DIRECTOR

INTERESTED DIRECTOR Robert M. Keith, ++ 1345 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10105 56	Class One (AGHIF 2019) Class Two (ANMIF and ACMIF 2020)+	Each Fund: 8	Senior Vice President of AllianceBernstein L.P. (the "Adviser")+++ and head of AllianceBernstein Investments, Inc. ("ABI")+++ since July 2008; Director of ABI and President of the AB Mutual Funds. Previously, he served as Executive Managing Director of ABI from December 2006 to June 2008. Prior to joining ABI in 2006, Executive Managing Director of	106	None

Bernstein Global Wealth Management, and prior thereto, Senior Managing Director and Global Head of Client Service and Sales of the Adviser's institutional investment management business since 2004. Prior thereto, he was Managing Director and Head of North American Client Service and Sales in the Adviser's institutional investment management business, with which he has been associated since prior to 2004.

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- * The address for each of the Fund's Independent Directors is c/o AllianceBernstein L.P., Attention: Philip L. Kirstein, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105.
 - ** "Years of Service" refers to the total number of years served as a Director.
 - # Member of the Audit Committee, the Governance and Nominating Committee, and the Independent Directors Committee for each Fund.
 - + If elected at the Meeting.
 - ++ Mr. Keith is an "interested person," as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"), of each Fund due to his position as a Senior Vice President of the Adviser.
 - +++The Adviser and ABI are affiliates of each Fund.

In addition to the public company directorships currently held by the Directors set forth in the table above, Mr. Turner was a director of SunEdison, Inc. (solar materials and power plants) since prior to 2012 until July 2014, Mr. Downey was a director of The Merger Fund (a registered investment company) since prior to 2012 until 2013, and Mr. Moody was a director of Greenbacker Renewable Energy Company LLC (renewable energy and energy efficiency projects) from August 2013 until January 2014.

The dollar range of the Funds' securities beneficially owned by each Director listed above, and the aggregate dollar range of securities owned in the funds overseen by the Director within the Fund Complex are set forth below.

DOLLAR RANGE OF EQUITY SECURITIES IN THE FUNDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016	AGGREGATE DOLLAR RANGE OF EQUITY SECURITIES IN THE FUNDS OVERSEEN IN THE AB FUND COMPLEX AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016
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Independent Directors

John H. Dobkin	AGHIF: \$1-\$10,000	Over \$100,000
Michael J. Downey	None	Over \$100,000
William H. Foulk, Jr.	AGHIF: \$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
	ANMIF: \$1-\$10,000	
Nancy P. Jacklin	AGHIF: \$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
Carol C. McMullen	None	Over \$100,000
Garry L. Moody	AGHIF: \$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000
Marshall C. Turner, Jr.	None	Over \$100,000
Earl D. Weiner	AGHIF: \$10,001-\$50,000	Over \$100,000

Interested Director

Robert M. Keith	None	None
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The business and affairs of the Funds are overseen by the Board. Directors who are not "interested persons" of the Funds as defined in the 1940 Act, are referred to as "Independent Directors," and the Director who is an "interested person" of the Funds is referred to as an "Interested Director." Certain information concerning each Director and the Funds' governance structure is set forth below.

Experience, Skills, Attributes and Qualifications of the Funds' Directors. The Governance and Nominating Committee of the Board, which is composed of Independent Directors, reviews the experience, qualifications, attributes and skills of potential candidates for nomination or election by the Board, and conducts a similar review in connection with the proposed nomination of current Directors for re-election by stockholders at any annual or special meeting of stockholders. In evaluating a candidate for nomination or election as a Director, the Governance and Nominating Committee takes into account the contribution that the candidate would be expected to make to the diverse mix of experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that the Governance and Nominating Committee believes contributes

to good governance for the Fund. Additional information concerning the Governance and Nominating Committee's consideration of nominees appears in the description of the Committee below.

The Board believes that, collectively, the Directors have balanced and diverse experience, qualifications, attributes and skills, which allow the Board to operate effectively in governing the Funds and protecting the interests of stockholders. The Board has concluded that, based on each Director's experience, qualifications, attributes and skills on an individual basis and in combination with those of the other Directors, each Director is qualified and should continue to serve as such.

In determining that a particular Director was and continues to be qualified to serve as a Director, the Board has considered a variety of criteria, none of which, in isolation, was controlling. In addition, the Board has taken into account the actual service and commitment of each Director during his or her tenure (including the Director's commitment and participation in Board and committee meetings, as well as his or her current and prior leadership of standing and ad hoc committees) in concluding that each should continue to serve as a Director. Additional information about the specific experience, skills, attributes and qualifications of each Director, which in each case led to the Board's conclusion that the Director should serve (or continue to serve)

as a Director, is provided in the table above and in the next paragraph.

Among other attributes and qualifications common to all Directors are their ability to review critically, evaluate, question and discuss information provided to them (including information requested by the Directors), to interact effectively with the Adviser, other service providers, counsel and the Funds' independent registered public accounting firm, and to exercise effective business judgment in the performance of their duties as Directors. In addition to his or her service as a Director of the Fund and other AB Funds as noted in the table above: Mr. Dobkin has experience as an executive of a number of organizations and served as Chairman of the Audit Committees of many of the AB Funds from 2001 to 2008; Mr. Downey has experience in the investment advisory business including as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of a large fund complex and as director of a number of non-AB funds and as Chairman of a non-AB closed-end fund; Mr. Foulk has experience in the investment advisory and securities businesses, including as Deputy Comptroller and Chief Investment Officer of the State of New York (where his responsibilities included bond issuances, cash management and oversight of the New York Common Retirement Fund), served as Chairman of the Independent Directors Committees from 2003 until early February 2014, served as Chairman of the AB Funds from 2003 through December 2013, and is active in a number of mutual fund related organizations and committees; Ms. Jacklin has experience as a financial services regulator, as U.S. Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund (which is responsible for ensuring the stability of the international monetary system), as a financial services lawyer in private practice, and has served as

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Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committees of the AB Funds since August 2014; Mr. Keith has experience as an executive of the Adviser with responsibility for, among other things, the AB Funds; Ms. McMullen has experience as a management consultant and as a director of various private companies and nonprofit organizations, as well as extensive asset management experience at a number of companies, including as an executive in the areas of portfolio management, research, and sales and marketing; Mr. Moody has experience as a certified public accountant including experience as Vice Chairman and U.S. and Global Investment Management Practice Partner for a major accounting firm, is a member of both the governing council of an organization of independent directors of mutual funds, and the Trustee Advisory Board of BoardIQ, a biweekly publication focused on issues and news affecting directors of mutual funds, and has served as a director or trustee and Chairman of the Audit Committees of the AB Funds since 2008; Mr. Turner has experience as a director (including Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of a number of companies) and as a venture capital investor including prior service as general partner of three institutional venture capital partnerships, and has served as Chairman of the AB Funds since January 2014 and Chairman of the Independent Directors Committees of such Funds since February 2014; and Mr. Weiner has experience as a securities lawyer whose practice includes registered investment companies and as director or trustee of various non-profit organizations and Chairman or Vice Chairman of a number of them, and served as Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committees of the AB Funds from 2007 until August 2014. The disclosure herein of a director's experience, qualifications, attributes and skills does not impose on such director any duties, obligations, or liability that are greater than the duties, obligations and liability imposed on such director as a member of the Board and any committee thereof in the absence of such experience, qualifications, attributes and skills.

Board Structure and Oversight Function. The Board is responsible for oversight of the Funds. Each Fund has engaged the Adviser to manage the Fund on a day-to-day basis. The Board is responsible for overseeing the Adviser and the

Funds' other service providers in the operations of each Fund in accordance with its investment objective and policies, and otherwise in accordance with the Fund's prospectus, the requirements of the 1940 Act and other applicable Federal laws, applicable state laws and the Fund's charter and bylaws. The Board meets in-person at regularly scheduled meetings four times throughout the year. In addition, the Directors may meet in-person or by telephone at special meetings or on an informal basis at other times. The Independent Directors also regularly meet without the presence of any representatives of management. As described below, the Board has established three standing committees - the Audit Committee, the Governance and Nominating Committee and the Independent Directors Committee - and may establish ad hoc committees or working groups from time to time to assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities. Each committee is composed exclusively of Independent Directors. The responsibilities of each committee, including its oversight responsibilities, are

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described further below. The Independent Directors have also engaged independent legal counsel, and may from time to time engage consultants and other advisors, to assist them in performing their oversight responsibilities.

An Independent Director serves as Chairman of the Board. The Chairman's duties include setting the agenda for each Board meeting in consultation with management, presiding at each Board meeting, meeting with management between Board meetings and facilitating communication and coordination between the Independent Directors and management. The Directors have determined that the Board's leadership by an Independent Director and its committees composed exclusively of Independent Directors is appropriate because they believe this structure sets the proper tone for the relationships between the Funds, on the one hand, and the Adviser and other service providers, on the other, and facilitates the exercise of the Board's independent judgment in evaluating and managing such relationships. In addition, each Fund is required to have an Independent Director as Chairman pursuant to certain 2003 regulatory settlements involving the Adviser.

Risk Oversight. Each Fund is subject to a number of risks, including investment, compliance and operational risks, including cyber risks. Day-to-day risk management with respect to the Funds resides with the Adviser or other service providers (depending on the nature of the risk), subject to supervision by the Adviser. The Board has charged the Adviser and its affiliates with (i) identifying events or circumstances, the occurrence of which could have demonstrable and material adverse effects on the Funds; (ii) to the extent appropriate, reasonable or practicable, implementing processes and controls reasonably designed to lessen the possibility that such events or circumstances occur or to mitigate the effects of such events or circumstances if they do occur; and (iii) creating and maintaining a system designed to evaluate continuously, and to revise as appropriate, the processes and controls described in (i) and (ii) above.

Risk oversight forms part of the Board's general oversight of the Funds' investment programs and operations, and is addressed as part of various regular Board and committee activities. Each Fund's investment management and business affairs are carried out by or through the Adviser and other service providers. Each of these persons has an independent interest in risk management but the policies and the methods by which one or more risk management functions are carried out may differ from the Fund's and each other's in the setting of priorities, the resources available or the effectiveness of relevant controls. Oversight of risk management is provided by the Board and the Audit Committee. The Directors regularly receive reports from, among others, management

(including the Chief Risk Officer and the Global Heads of Investment Risk and Trading Risk of the Adviser), each Fund's Senior Officer (who is also the Fund's Independent Compliance Officer), each Fund's Chief Compliance Officer, each Fund's independent registered public accounting firm and counsel, the Adviser's Chief Compliance Officer and internal auditors for the Adviser, as appropriate, regarding

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risks faced by the Funds and the Adviser's risk management programs. In addition, the Directors receive regular updates on cyber security matters from the Adviser.

Not all risks that may affect the Funds can be identified, nor can controls be developed to eliminate or mitigate their occurrence or effects. It may not be practical or cost-effective to eliminate or mitigate certain risks. Processes and controls employed to address certain risks may be limited in their effectiveness, and some risks are simply beyond the reasonable control of the Funds or the Adviser, its affiliates or other service providers. Moreover, it is necessary for the Funds to bear certain risks (such as investment-related risks) to achieve the Funds' goals. As a result of the foregoing and other factors, the Funds' ability to manage risk is subject to substantial limitations.

During each Fund's fiscal year ended in 2016, the Board of AGHIF met seven times, and the Board of ANMIF and ACMIF met seven times. The Funds do not have a policy that requires a Director to attend annual meetings of stockholders.

Board Committees. The Board has three standing committees: the Audit Committee, the Governance and Nominating Committee and the Independent Directors Committee. The members of the Committees are identified above in the table listing the Directors.

The function of the Audit Committee is to assist the Board in its oversight of each Fund's accounting and financial reporting policies and practices. The members of the Audit Committee are "independent" as required by applicable listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange. During each Fund's fiscal year ended 2016, the Audit Committee of each of AGHIF, ANMIF and ACMIF met three times.

The Board has adopted a charter for its Governance and Nominating Committee, a current copy of which is available at www.abfunds.com (under "Investments," click on "Closed-End Funds," then "Fixed Income," then the name of a Fund (e.g., "AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund"), then "Governance and Nominating Committee Charter.") Pursuant to the charter of the Governance and Nominating Committee, the Committee assists the Board in carrying out its responsibilities with respect to Fund governance and identifies, evaluates and selects and nominates candidates for the Board. The Committee may also set standards or qualifications for Directors and reviews at least annually the performance of each Director, taking into account factors such as attendance at meetings, adherence to Board policies, preparation for and participation at meetings, commitment and contribution to the overall work of the Board and its committees, and whether there are health or other reasons that might affect a Director's ability to perform his or her duties. The Committee may consider candidates as Directors submitted by a Fund's current Board members, officers, the Adviser, stockholders (subject to the following paragraph), and other appropriate sources.

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Pursuant to the charter, the Governance and Nominating Committee will consider candidates submitted by a stockholder or group of stockholders who have beneficially owned at least 5% of a Fund's outstanding common stock for at least two years prior to the time of submission and who timely provide specified information about the candidates, and the nominating stockholder or group. To be timely for consideration by the Committee, the submission, including all required information, must be submitted in writing to the attention of the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Funds not less than 120 days before the date of the proxy statement for the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders. The Committee will consider only one candidate submitted by such a stockholder or group of stockholders for nomination for election at an annual meeting of stockholders. The Committee will not consider self-nominated candidates.

The Governance and Nominating Committee will consider and evaluate candidates submitted by stockholders on the basis of the same criteria as those used to consider and evaluate candidates submitted from other sources. These criteria include the candidate's relevant knowledge, experience and expertise, the candidate's ability to carry out his or her duties in the best interests of the Funds, and the candidate's ability to qualify as an Independent Director. When assessing a candidate for nomination, the Committee considers whether the individual's background, skills, and experience will complement the background, skills and experience of other nominees and will contribute to the diversity of the Board. During the Fund's fiscal year ended 2016, the Governance and Nominating Committee of AGHIF met three times; of ANMIF, three times; of ACMIF, three times.

The function of the Independent Directors Committee is to consider and take action on matters that the Committee or the Board believes should be addressed in executive session of the Independent Directors, such as review and approval of the Advisory and Shareholder Inquiry Agency Agreements. During each Fund's fiscal year ended in 2016, the Independent Directors Committee of each Fund met seven times. The Independent Directors meet in executive session without representation of management present at every Board meeting. In the most recent fiscal year, the approval of the Advisory and Shareholder Inquiry Agreement of each Fund was considered at the November 1-3, 2016 meetings of the Independent Directors Committee.

The Board has adopted a process for stockholders to send communications to the Board. To communicate with the Board or an individual Director of a Fund, a stockholder must send a written communication to the Fund's principal office at the address listed in the Notice of Joint Annual Meeting of Stockholders accompanying this Proxy Statement, addressed to the Board or the individual Director. All stockholder communications received in accordance with this process will be forwarded to the Board or the individual Director to whom or to which the communication is addressed.

Board Compensation. None of the Funds pays any fees to, or reimburses expenses of, any Director during a time when the Director is considered an "interested

person" of the Fund. Information concerning the aggregate compensation paid by the Funds to each person nominated for election as a Director by the Board and each person currently serving and continuing as a Director during each Fund's fiscal year ended 2016; the aggregate compensation paid to the Directors during calendar year 2016 by all of the investment companies overseen by the Director

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within the AB Fund Complex; the total number of investment companies in the AB Fund Complex for which each Director serves as a director or trustee; and the number of investment portfolios for which each Director serves as a director or trustee, is set forth below. Neither the Funds nor any other investment company in the AB Fund Complex provides compensation in the form of pension or retirement benefits to any of its directors or trustees.

NAME OF DIRECTOR	COMPENSATION FROM THE FUNDS DURING THEIR FISCAL YEARS ENDED 2016		COMPENSATION FROM THE AB FUND COMPLEX, INCLUDING THE FUNDS, DURING 2016	NUMBER OF INVESTMENT COMPANIES IN THE AB FUND COMPLEX, INCLUDING THE FUNDS, AS TO WHICH THE DIRECTOR OR TRUSTEE	NUMBER OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS WITHIN THE AB FUND COMPLEX, INCLUDING THE FUNDS, AS TO WHICH THE DIRECTOR OR TRUSTEE
Independent Directors					
John H. Dobkin	\$2,544	ANMIF	\$285,000	27	105
	\$2,544	ACMIF			
Michael J. Downey	\$2,419	AGHIF	\$285,000	28	106
	\$2,544	ANMIF			
	\$2,544	ACMIF			
William H. Foulk, Jr.	\$2,419	AGHIF	\$285,000	28	106
	\$2,544	ANMIF			
	\$2,544	ACMIF			
Nancy P. Jacklin	\$2,572	AGHIF	\$303,000	28	106
	\$2,705	ANMIF			
	\$2,705	ACMIF			
Carol C. McMullen*	\$ 0	AGHIF	\$147,816	28	106
	\$ 709	ANMIF			
	\$ 709	ACMIF			
Garry L. Moody	\$2,717	AGHIF	\$320,000	28	106
	\$2,857	ANMIF			
	\$2,857	ACMIF			
Marshall C. Turner, Jr.	\$4,075	AGHIF	\$480,000	28	106
	\$4,285	ANMIF			
	\$4,285	ACMIF			
Earl D. Weiner	\$4,075	AGHIF	\$285,000	28	106
	\$2,544	ANMIF			
	\$2,544	ACMIF			

* Ms. McMullen was elected as a Director of the Funds effective June 22, 2016.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT THE STOCKHOLDERS VOTE FOR EACH OF THE NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR IN PROPOSAL ONE. FOR EACH FUND, APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL ONE REQUIRES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES ENTITLED TO BE CAST.

All properly executed and timely received proxies will be voted at the Meeting in accordance with the instructions marked thereon or as otherwise provided therein. Accordingly, unless instructions to the contrary are marked on the proxies, the votes will be cast for the election of the nominees as Directors for each Fund. If no specification is made on a properly executed proxy, it will be voted for the matters specified on the Proxy Card in the manner recommended by the Board. Any stockholder may revoke that stockholder's proxy at any time prior to exercise thereof by (i) giving written notice to the Secretary of the Funds at 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105, (ii) signing and delivering to the Secretary another proxy of a later date, or (iii) voting in person at the Meeting.

Properly executed proxies may be returned with instructions to abstain from voting or to withhold authority to vote (an "abstention") or may represent a broker "non-vote" (which is a proxy from a broker or nominee indicating that the broker or nominee has not received instructions from the beneficial owner or other person entitled to vote shares on a particular matter with respect to which the broker or nominee does not have discretionary power to vote). For each Fund, the election of the nominees as Director in Proposal One requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the Fund's Preferred Stockholders (as applicable) and common stockholders voting together as a single class. Any abstention or broker non-vote will be considered present for purposes of determining the existence of a quorum but will have the effect of a vote against Proposal One. If any proposal, other than Proposal One, properly comes before the Meeting, shares represented by proxies will be voted on all such proposals in the discretion of the person or persons holding the proxies. The Funds have not received notice of, and are not otherwise aware of, any other matter to be presented at the Meeting.

For each Fund, a quorum for the Meeting will consist of the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the total outstanding shares of common stock, and preferred stock, as applicable, of the Fund. In the event that (i) a quorum is not present at the Meeting for a Fund; or (ii) a quorum is present but sufficient votes in favor of the position recommended by the Board for Proposal One (as described in the Proxy Statement) have not been timely received, the Chairman of the Meeting may authorize, or the persons named as proxies may propose and vote for, one or more adjournments of the Meeting up to 120 days after the Record Date for that Fund, with no other notice than an announcement at the Meeting, in order to permit further solicitation of proxies. Shares represented by proxies indicating a vote contrary to the position recommended by the Board will be voted against adjournment of the Meeting.

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The Meeting is scheduled as a joint meeting of the stockholders of the Funds, because the stockholders of all the Funds are to consider and vote on the election of Directors. Stockholders of each Fund will vote separately on the election of Directors for that Fund and on any other matter that may properly come before the Meeting for such Fund. An unfavorable vote by the stockholders of one Fund will not affect the vote on the election of Directors or on any other matter by the stockholders of another Fund. As described above, Preferred Stockholders will have equal voting rights with the holders of the common stock of ANMIF and ACMIF, respectively, and will vote together with the holders of the common stock as a single class for purposes of Proposal One and on any proposal that may be properly presented at the Meeting applicable to their respective Funds.

Each Fund has engaged Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., a professional proxy solicitation firm, (the "Proxy Solicitor"), to assist in soliciting

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proxies for the Meeting. The Proxy Solicitor will receive a total fee of approximately \$3,000 for its services, to be divided equally among the Funds (\$1,000 per Fund).

OTHER INFORMATION

OFFICERS OF THE FUNDS

Certain information concerning the Funds' officers is set forth below. Each officer is elected annually by the Board and serves a one-year term until his or her successor is duly elected and qualifies.

NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	POSITION(S) (MONTH AND YEAR FIRST ELECTED)	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION DURING PAST 5 YEARS (OR LONGER)
Robert M. Keith 56	President and Chief Executive Officer, all Funds (09/08)	See biography above.
Philip L. Kirstein 71	Senior Vice President and Independent Compliance Officer, all Funds (10/04)	Senior Vice President and Independent Compliance Officer of the funds in the AB Fund Complex, with which he has been associated since 2004. Prior thereto, he was Of Counsel to Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, LLP from October 2003–October 2004, and General Counsel of Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, L.P. since prior to March 2003.
Robert (Guy) B. Davidson III 55	Senior Vice President, ANMIF (4/02) ACMIF (4/02)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.

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NAME, ADDRESS* AND AGE	POSITION(S) (MONTH AND YEAR FIRST ELECTED)	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION DURING PAST 5 YEARS (OR LONGER)
Douglas J. Peebles 51	Senior Vice President, ANMIF (6/04) ACMIF (6/04) Vice President, AGHIF (5/16)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Fred S. Cohen 58	Vice President, ACMIF (10/05) ANMIF (10/05)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Paul J. DeNoon 54	Vice President, AGHIF (4/94)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.

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Gershon Distenfeld, 41	Vice President, AGHIF (2/17)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Terrance T. Hults 50	Vice President, ANMIF (12/01) ACMIF (12/01)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Matthew J. Norton 34	Vice President ANMIF (2/16) ACMIF (2/16)	Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Matthew S. Sheridan 41	Vice President, AGHIF (5/16)	Senior Vice President of the Adviser**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Joseph J. Mantineo 57	Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, all Funds (8/06)	Senior Vice President of AllianceBernstein Investor Services, Inc. ("ABIS")**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Phyllis J. Clarke 56	Controller, ANMIF (5/09) ACMIF (5/09)	Vice President of ABIS**, with which she has been associated since prior to 2012.
Stephen Woetzel 45	Controller, AGHIF (5/09)	Vice President of ABIS**, with which he has been associated since prior to 2012.
Vincent S. Noto 52	Chief Compliance Officer, all Funds (01/14)	Senior Vice President since 2015 and Mutual Fund Chief Compliance Officer of the Adviser** since 2014. Prior thereto, he was Vice President and Director of Mutual Fund Compliance of the Adviser** since prior to 2012.
Emilie D. Wrapp 61	Secretary, all Funds (10/05)	Senior Vice President, Assistant General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of ABI**, with which she has been associated since prior to 2012.

* The address for the Funds' officers is 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New
York, New York 10105.

** An affiliate of each of the Funds.

STOCK OWNERSHIP

The outstanding voting shares of AGHIF as of the Record Date consisted of 86,229,677 shares of common stock. The outstanding voting securities of ANMIF as of the Record Date consisted of 28,744,936 shares of common stock, 3,685 shares of Auction Preferred Shares, Series M, Series W, Series TH and Series T, and 5,644 shares of Variable Rate MuniFund Term Preferred Shares. The outstanding voting shares of ACMIF as of the Record Date consisted of 8,554,668 shares of common stock, 1,195 shares of Auction Preferred Shares, Series M and

Series T, and 1,605 shares of Variable Rate MuniFund Term Preferred Shares.

As of February 3, 2017, the Directors and officers of each Fund, both individually and as a group, owned less than 1% of the shares of any Fund. During each Fund's most recently completed fiscal year, the Fund's Directors as a group did not engage in the purchase or sale of more than 1% of any class of securities of the Adviser or of any of its parents or subsidiaries.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The following Audit Committee Report was adopted by the Audit Committee for each Fund.

The Audit Committee operates pursuant to a written charter, a copy of which may be found on the Adviser's website at www.abfunds.com (under "Investments," click on "Closed-End Funds," then "Fixed Income," then the name of a Fund (e.g., "AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund"), then "Closed-End Funds Audit Committee Charter"). The purposes of the Audit Committee are to (1) assist the Board in its oversight of the accounting and financial reporting policies and practices of the Fund, including (i) the quality and integrity of the Fund's financial statements and the independent audit thereof; (ii) the Fund's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, particularly those that relate to the Fund's accounting, financial reporting, internal controls over financial reporting, and independent audits; (iii) the retention, independence, qualifications and performance of the independent registered public accounting firm; (iv) meeting with representatives of the internal audit department of the Adviser regarding such department's activities relating to the Fund; and (v) the Fund's compliance with applicable laws by receiving reports from counsel who believe they have credible evidence of a material violation of law by the Fund or by someone owing a fiduciary or other duty to the Fund; and (2) to prepare this report. As set forth in the Audit Committee Charter, management of the Fund is responsible for the preparation, presentation and integrity of the Fund's financial statements, the Fund's accounting and financial reporting principles and policies and internal control over financial reporting and other procedures that provide for compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. The independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for auditing the Fund's financial statements and expressing an opinion as to their conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

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In the performance of its oversight function, the Audit Committee has considered and discussed the audited financial statements with management and the independent registered public accounting firm of the Fund. The Audit Committee has also discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 114, Auditors Communication with those Charged with Governance, and other professional standards, as currently in effect. The Audit Committee has also considered whether the provision of any non-audit services not pre-approved by the Audit Committee provided by the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm to the Adviser and to any entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund is compatible with maintaining the independent registered public accounting firm's independence. Finally, the Audit Committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Rule 3526, Communication with Audit Committees Concerning Independence, as currently in effect, and has discussed the independent registered public accounting firm's independence with such firm.

The members of the Fund's Audit Committee are not full-time employees of the Fund and are not performing the functions of auditors or accountants. As such, it is not the duty or responsibility of the Audit Committee or its members to conduct "field work" or other types of auditing or accounting reviews or procedures or to set auditor independence standards. Members of the Audit Committee necessarily rely on the information provided to them by management and the independent registered public accounting firm. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's considerations and discussions referred to above do not assure that the audit of the Fund's financial statements has been carried out in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, that the financial statements are presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles or that the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm is in fact "independent".

Based upon the reports and discussions described in this report, and subject to the limitations on the role and responsibilities of the Audit Committee referred to above and in the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board that the audited financial statements of the Fund be included in the Fund's annual report to stockholders for the most recent fiscal year.

Submitted by the Audit Committee of each Fund's Board of Directors:

John H. Dobkin	Nancy P. Jacklin
Michael J. Downey	Garry L. Moody
William H. Foulk, Jr.	Marshall C. Turner, Jr.
D. James Guzy	Earl D. Weiner

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APPROVAL OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRMS BY THE BOARD

The Audit Committee is responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the work of the Funds' independent registered public accounting firm. In addition, on the dates specified below, the Board approved the selection of the Funds' independent registered public accounting firm as required by, and in accordance with, the 1940 Act. At meetings held on February 3, 2016 (AGHIF) and November 2, 2016 (ANMIF and ACMIF), the Board approved by the vote, cast in person, of a majority of the Directors of each Fund, including a majority of the Directors who are not "interested persons" of each Fund, the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit the accounts of each Fund for the fiscal year ending, as applicable, March 31, 2017 (AGHIF) and October 31, 2017 (ANMIF and ACMIF).

Ernst & Young LLP has audited the accounts of AGHIF, ANMIF and ACMIF since the respective dates of the commencement of each of the Fund's operations, and has represented that it does not have any direct financial interest or any material indirect financial interest in any of the Funds. Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP are expected to attend the Meeting, to have the opportunity to make a statement and to respond to appropriate questions from the stockholders.

INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM'S FEES

The following table sets forth the aggregate fees billed by the independent registered public accounting firm for each Fund's last two fiscal years for professional services rendered for: (i) the audit of the Fund's annual financial statements included in the Fund's annual report to stockholders;

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(ii) assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit of the Fund's financial statements and are not reported under (i), which include advice and education on accounting and auditing issues, quarterly press release reviews and preferred stock maintenance testing (for those Funds that issue preferred stock); (iii) tax compliance, tax advice and tax return preparation; and (iv) aggregate non-audit services provided to the Fund, the Fund's Adviser and entities that control, are controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provide ongoing services to the Fund ("Service Affiliates"). No other services were provided by the independent registered public accounting firm to any Fund during this period.

			AUDIT	AUDIT	TAX	ALL OTHER	ALL FEES FOR
			FEES	RELATED	FEES	FEES FOR	NON-AUDIT
			-----	FEES	-----	SERVICES	-----
						PROVIDED TO	
						THE FUND,	
						PROVIDED	
						TO THE	
						ADVISED	
						AND SERVICE	
						AFFILIATES*	
			-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
AllianceBernstein Global	2015	\$145,923	\$8,000	\$35,140	\$0	\$499,693	
High Income Fund, Inc.	2016	\$150,345	\$8,051	\$30,871	\$0	\$493,067	

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			AUDIT	AUDIT	TAX	ALL OTHER	ALL FEES FOR
			FEES	RELATED	FEES	FEES FOR	NON-AUDIT
			-----	FEES	-----	SERVICES	-----
						PROVIDED TO	
						THE FUND,	
						PROVIDED	
						TO THE	
						ADVISED	
						AND SERVICE	
						AFFILIATES*	
			-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
AllianceBernstein National	2015	\$41,200	\$ 8,000	\$17,685	\$0	\$443,760	
Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	2016	\$42,412	\$18,609	\$18,014	\$0	\$472,443	
Alliance California Municipal	2015	\$41,200	\$ 8,000	\$17,685	\$0	\$443,760	
Income Fund, Inc.	2016	\$42,412	\$18,591	\$18,014	\$0	\$472,425	

* The fees vary because they are presented based on each Fund's last two fiscal years and reflect fees for non-audit services for different periods.

Beginning with audit and non-audit service contracts entered into on or after May 6, 2003, the Funds' Audit Committee policies and procedures require the pre-approval of all audit and non-audit services provided to a Fund by the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm. A Fund's Audit Committee policies and procedures also require pre-approval of all audit and non-audit services provided to the Adviser and any Service Affiliates to the extent that these services are directly related to the operations or financial reporting of the Fund. Accordingly, all of the amounts in the table for Audit Fees,

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Audit-Related Fees and Tax Fees for 2016 are for services pre-approved by each Fund's Audit Committee. The amounts of the Fees for Non-Audit Services provided to the Fund, the Adviser and Service Affiliates in the table for each Fund that were subject to pre-approval by the Audit Committee for 2016 were AGHIF, \$38,922 (comprising \$8,051 of audit related fees and \$30,871 of tax fees); ANMIF, \$36,623 (comprising \$18,609 of audit related fees and \$18,014 of tax fees); and ACMIF, \$36,605 (comprising \$18,591 of audit related fees and \$18,014 of tax fees). The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision, to the Adviser and/or any Service Affiliate by the Funds' independent registered public accounting firm, of any non-audit services that were not pre-approved by the Audit Committee is compatible with maintaining the independent registered public accounting firm's independence.

INFORMATION AS TO THE INVESTMENT ADVISER AND THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FUNDS

Each Fund's investment adviser is AllianceBernstein L.P., 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105. The Adviser also functions as the administrator to the Funds.

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SECTION 16(A) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

None of the Funds is aware of an untimely filing of a statement of initial beneficial ownership interest by any person subject to Section 16 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the Fund's fiscal year ended 2016.

OTHER MATTERS

Management of each Fund does not know of any matters properly to be presented at the Meeting other than those mentioned in this Proxy Statement. If any other matters properly come before the Meeting, the shares represented by proxies will be voted with respect thereto in the discretion of the person or persons voting the proxies. As of February 7, 2017, the following shareholders held more than 5% of the specified Fund's shares:

FUND	SHAREHOLDER (ADDRESS)	CLASS OF SHARES	NUMBER OF SHARES	PERCENTAGE
ANMIF	First Trust Portfolios L.P., First Trust Advisors L.P. and The Charger Corporation (120 East Liberty Drive, Suite 400, Wheaton, Illinois 60187)	common stock	3,052,684	10.62%
ANMIF	UBS AG on behalf of UBS Securities LLC and UBS Financial Services Inc. (Bahnhofstrasse 45, P.O. Box CH-8049, Zurich, Switzerland)	auction rate preferred stock	1,049	28.47%
ANMIF	Bank of America Corp. (Bank of America Corporate Center, 100 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255), Bank of America N.A. (101 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255) and Blue Ridge Investments, L.L.C. (214 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North	auction rate preferred stock	1,770	48.03%

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ANMIF	Bank of America Corp. (Bank of America Corporate Center, 100 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255) and Bank of America Corp. Preferred Funding Corp. (214 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255)	variable rate munifund term preferred stock	5,644	100.00%
ACMIF	First Trust Portfolios L.P., First Trust Advisors L.P. and The Charger Corporation (120 East Liberty Drive, Suite 400, Wheaton, Illinois 60187)	common stock	1,281,921	14.99%

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FUND	SHAREHOLDER (ADDRESS)	CLASS OF SHARES	NUMBER OF SHARES	PERCENTAGE
ACMIF	UBS AG on behalf of UBS Securities LLC and UBS Financial Services Inc. (Bahnhofstrasse 45, P.O. Box CH-8049, Zurich, Switzerland)	auction rate preferred stock	351	29.37%
ACMIF	Bank of America Corp. (Bank of America Corporate Center, 100 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255), Bank of America N.A. (101 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255) and Blue Ridge Investments, L.L.C. (214 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255)	auction rate preferred stock	834	69.79%
ACMIF	Bank of America Corp. (Bank of America Corporate Center, 100 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255) and Bank of America Corp. Preferred Funding Corp. (214 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255)	variable rate munifund term preferred stock	1,605	100.00%

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE
NEXT ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Proposals of stockholders intended to be presented at the next annual meeting of stockholders of a Fund must be received by the Fund by October 25, 2017 for inclusion in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy card relating to that meeting. The submission by a stockholder of a proposal for inclusion in the proxy statement does not guarantee that it will be included. In addition, stockholder proposals are subject to certain requirements under the federal securities laws and the Maryland General Corporation Law and must be submitted in accordance with each Fund's Bylaws. To be presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, a stockholder proposal that is not otherwise

includable in the Proxy Statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting must be delivered by a stockholder of record to the Fund no sooner than September 25, 2017 and no later than October 25, 2017.

The persons named as proxies for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will, regarding the proxies in effect at the meeting, have discretionary authority to vote on any matter presented by a stockholder for action at that meeting unless the Fund receives notice of the matter no sooner than September 25, 2017 and no later than October 25, 2017. If a Fund receives such timely notice, these persons will not have this authority except as provided in the applicable rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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REPORTS TO STOCKHOLDERS

Each Fund will furnish each person to whom this Proxy Statement is delivered with a copy of its latest annual report to stockholders and its subsequent semi-annual report to stockholders, if any, upon request and without charge. To request a copy, please call AllianceBernstein Investments, Inc. at (800) 227-4618 or contact Cathleen Crandall at AllianceBernstein L.P., 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105.

By Order of the Boards of Directors,

Emilie D. Wrapp
Secretary

February 22, 2017
New York, New York

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NOTICE OF JOINT ANNUAL MEETING
OF STOCKHOLDERS AND
PROXY STATEMENT

FEBRUARY 22, 2017

PROXY CARD

PROXY TABULATOR
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- 2) Go to website www.proxyvote.com or scan the QR Barcode above.
- 3) Follow the instructions provided on the website.

To vote by Telephone

- 1) Read the Proxy Statement and have the proxy card below at hand.
- 2) Call 1-800-690-6903
- 3) Follow the instructions.

To vote by Mail

- 1) Read the Proxy Statement.
- 2) Check the appropriate box on the proxy card below.
- 3) Sign and date the proxy card.
- 4) Return the proxy card in the envelope provided.

To vote in Person

Attend Stockholder Meeting
1345 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10105
on March 29, 2017

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

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THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE PROPOSAL.

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To withhold a nominee(s), name(s) of th

1. Election of three Class Two Directors

Nominees: [] [] [] -----

- 01) William H. Foulk, Jr.
- 02) Carol C. McMullen
- 03) Robert M. Keith

2. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof.

Note: Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) on this proxy card, and date it. When shares are held jointly, each holder should sign. When signing in a representative capacity, please give title.

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 Signature Date
 [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX]

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 Signature [Joint Owners] Date

EVERY STOCKHOLDER'S VOTE IS IMPORTANT

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Joint Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held on March 29, 2017.

The Proxy Statement and Proxy Card for this meeting are available at: www.proxyvote.com

IF YOU VOTE ON THE INTERNET OR BY TELEPHONE, YOU NEED NOT RETURN THIS PROXY CARD

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ALLIANCE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL INCOME FUND, INC.

PROXY

NOTICE OF JOINT ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
MARCH 29, 2017

PROXY

The undersigned stockholder of AllianceBernstein National Municipal Income Fund, Inc. and Alliance California Municipal Income Fund, Inc., each of which is a Maryland corporation (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"), hereby appoints Nancy Hay and Carol Rappa, or either of them, as proxies for the undersigned, with full power of substitution in each of them, to attend the Joint Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at the offices of the Funds, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10105, on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, and any postponement or adjournment thereof, to cast on behalf of the undersigned all votes that the undersigned is entitled to cast at the Annual Meeting and otherwise to represent the undersigned with all powers possessed by the undersigned if personally present at such Annual Meeting. The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Joint Annual Meeting and accompanying Proxy Statement and revokes any proxy heretofore given with respect to the Joint Annual Meeting.

IF THIS PROXY IS PROPERLY EXECUTED, THE VOTES ENTITLED TO BE CAST BY THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BE CAST AS INSTRUCTED ON THE REVERSE SIDE HEREOF. IF THIS PROXY IS PROPERLY EXECUTED BUT NO INSTRUCTION IS GIVEN, THE VOTES ENTITLED TO BE CAST BY THE UNDERSIGNED WILL BE CAST FOR THE PROPOSAL. THE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY WILL BE VOTED IN THE DISCRETION OF THE PROXY HOLDER ON ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE JOINT ANNUAL MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENT OR POSTPONEMENT THEREOF.

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE ON THE REVERSE SIDE