

FLAHERTY & CRUMRINE TOTAL RETURN FUND INC
Form N-PX
August 24, 2017

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-PX

**ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY**

Investment Company Act file number 811-21380

Flaherty & Crumrine Total Return Fund Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Suite 720

Pasadena, CA 91101

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

R. Eric Chadwick
Flaherty & Crumrine Incorporated
301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Suite 720

Pasadena, CA 91101

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 626-795-7300

Date of fiscal year end: November 30

Date of reporting period: July 1, 2016 June 30, 2017

Form N-PX is to be used by a registered management investment company, other than a small business investment company registered on Form N-5 (§§ 239.24 and 274.5 of this chapter), to file reports with the Commission, not later than August 31 of each year, containing the registrant's proxy voting record for the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30, pursuant to section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and rule 30b1-4 thereunder (17 CFR 270.30b1-4). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-PX in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

A registrant is required to disclose the information specified by Form N-PX, and the Commission will make this information public. A registrant is not required to respond to the collection of information contained in Form N-PX unless the Form displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") control number. Please direct comments concerning the accuracy of the information collection burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing the burden to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549-0609. The OMB has reviewed this collection of information under the clearance requirements of 44 U.S.C. §3507.

PROXY VOTING RECORD

FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

REGISTRANT NAME: Flaherty & Crumrine Total Return Fund Incorporated
 INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FILE NUMBER: 811 - 21380
 REPORTING PERIOD: 07/01/2016 - 06/30/2017
 REGISTRANT ADDRESS: 301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Suite 720, Pasadena, California 91101

| Issuer of Portfolio Security | Exchange Ticker Symbol | CUSIP # | Shareholder Meeting Date | Summary of Matter Voted On | Who Proposed Matter: Issuer / Shareholder | Whether Fund C Vote on Matter |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|
| CIT Group Inc | CIT | 125581801 | 5/9/2017 | Approve annual vote on executive compensation | Issuer | Yes |
| CIT Group Inc | CIT | 125581801 | 5/9/2017 | Approve auditor | Issuer | Yes |
| CIT Group Inc | CIT | 125581801 | 5/9/2017 | Approve compensation of executive officers | Issuer | Yes |
| CIT Group Inc | CIT | 125581801 | 5/9/2017 | Approve directors | Issuer | Yes |
| ENDURANCE SPECIALTY HOLDINGS | ENH | 29267H406 | 1/27/2017 | Approve adjournment of special meeting to solicit additional proxies if needed | Issuer | Yes |
| ENDURANCE SPECIALTY HOLDINGS | ENH | 29267H406 | 1/27/2017 | Approve merger with SOMPO Holdings, Inc. | Issuer | Yes |
| FT REAL ESTATE SECS CO | FHN | 302663208 | 5/9/2017 | Approve directors | Issuer | No |

SIGNATURES

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

Registrant Flaherty & Crumrine Total Return Fund Incorporated

By (Signature and Title)*

/s/ R. Eric Chadwick

R. Eric Chadwick, Chief Executive Officer and President
(principal executive officer)

Date August 24, 2017

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