### SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC ET AL

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FORM 11-K

ANNUAL REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Mark One)

[X] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 [NO FEE REQUIRED, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 7, 1996].

For the fiscal year ended DECEMBER 31, 2001

OR

[ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 [NO FEE REQUIRED].

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ to

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 001-05620

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC.

RETIREMENT PLAN

(FORMERLY KNOWN AS SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. STOCK SAVINGS PLAN)

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. 800 THE SAFEGUARD BUILDING 435 DEVON PARK DRIVE WAYNE, PA 19087

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC.
RETIREMENT PLAN
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. STOCK SAVINGS PLAN)

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules

December 31, 2001 and 2000 (WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT THEREON)

#### REQUIRED INFORMATION

#### (1) Financial Statements

The following statements, including Independent Auditors' Report thereon, of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan are submitted herewith:

Statements of Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits, December 31, 2001 and 2000

Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits, Years ended December 31, 2001, 2000, and 1999

Notes to Financial Statements

Schedule I - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

Schedule II - Reportable Transactions, Year Ended December 31, 2001

The Schedules for which provisions are made in the applicable accounting regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission are included in the aforementioned financial statements of the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan.

#### (2) Exhibits

The following Exhibits are submitted herewith:

Exhibit 23 - Consent of Independent Auditors

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the members of the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan Committee have duly caused this Annual Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC.

RETIREMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

Date: June 27, 2002 By: /s/ Joseph R. DeSanto

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Trustee

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN (Formerly known as Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Stock Savings Plan)

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Trustees of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan:

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for plan benefits of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan, formerly known as the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Stock Savings Plan, as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for plan benefits of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and the changes in net assets available for plan benefits for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2001, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and reportable transactions are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of

Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure Under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. These supplemental schedules are the responsibility of the Plan's management. The supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/S/ KPMG LLP

June 13, 2002 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN (Formerly known as Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Stock Savings Plan)

Statements of Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits

December 31, 2001 and 2000

	2001	2000
Investments	\$ 8,501,220	12,304,631
Contributions receivable:		
Employer's contribution	285,253	28 <b>,</b> 097
Participant contributions	22,488	89 <b>,</b> 081
Loans to participants	45,528	101,019
Net assets available for plan benefits	\$ 8,854,489	12,522,828
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
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Years ended December 31, 2001, 2000, and 1999

	2001	2000	
Additions:			
Participant contributions	\$ 1,002,144	1,746,004	
Employer contributions	729 <b>,</b> 920	316,915	
Dividends and interest	82,884	231,684	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments			45
Loan interest	6,744	7,374	
Total additions	1,821,692	2,301,977	47

Deductions:			
Administrative expenses	30,076		
Benefits paid	1,789,368	993,606	9
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	4,954,498	42,596,390	
Total deductions	6,773,942	43,589,996	9
Net (decrease) increase	(4,952,250)	(41,288,019)	38
Transfers out of the plan to the TL Ventures			
benefit plan (note 1)	(4,648,866)		
Transfers out of the plan to the aligne, inc.			
401(k) plan (note 1)	(181,145)		
Transfers to the plan	6,113,922		
Transfer from the aligne, inc. 401(k) plan		473,671	
Net assets available for plan benefits:			
Beginning of year	12,522,828	53,337,176	15
End of year	\$ 8,854,489	12,522,828	53
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
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### (1) DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan (the Plan), formerly known as the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Stock Savings Plan, provides general information only. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for more complete information.

### (a) GENERAL

The Plan is a contributory defined contribution plan established in 1981 by Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. (the Company). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Company has the right under the Plan to amend, modify, suspend, or terminate the Plan at any time. A committee of individuals (Plan Trustees) appointed by the Plan administrator is generally responsible for the operations of the Plan.

#### (b) ELIGIBILITY

Eligible employees in 2001 and 2000 included salaried and hourly employees of the Company, Technology Leaders Management, Inc., Safeguard International Group, Inc., Penn-Sylvan Management, Inc., and aligne, inc. (aligne), subsidiaries of the Company (collectively, the Employers). However, any person whose terms and conditions of employment are determined through collective bargaining is not an eligible employee unless the collective bargaining agreement provides for the inclusion of such person in

the Plan. The Employers do not have any collective bargaining agreements at December  $31,\ 2001.$ 

Effective as of January 2001, Technology Leaders Management, Inc. d/b/a TL Ventures spun off the assets and liabilities representing the interests and entitlements of the employees of TL Ventures into its own retirement plan. Effective as of April 2001, aligne spun off the assets and liabilities representing the interests and entitlements of the employees of aligne into its own retirement plan.

Effective June 1, 2000, the aligne, inc. 401(k) plan merged into the Plan. As a result, all account balances under the aligne, inc. 401(k) plan became account balances under the Plan. aligne, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, became a participating affiliate in the Plan, and employees of aligne became eligible to participate in the Plan.

#### (c) CONTRIBUTIONS

As of January 1, 2001, participants may defer from 1% to 15% of eligible compensation plus up to 100% of any Employer paid cash bonus. The amount of deferred compensation is treated as a salary reduction and is not subject to federal income tax until withdrawn from the Plan. During 2000, participants could contribute from 2% to 14% of eligible compensation immediately upon hire.

The Plan also permits participants to roll over certain amounts received from another qualified retirement plan.

Before October 1, 1991, the Plan allowed after-tax contributions which became part of a participant's After-Tax Voluntary Contribution Sub account. Although after-tax contributions are no longer allowed under the Plan, such contributions made to the Plan prior to October 1, 1991 continue to be held in the Plan.

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Effective January 1, 2001, contributions by the Employers were made on a matched basis dollar for dollar on salary deferrals up to 3% of compensation and then 50 cents on the dollar on salary deferrals from 3% to 5% of compensation. Plan participants are eligible to join the Plan effective as of the first day of the month following their hire date, and Plan participants are eligible for the Employer matching contributions immediately upon joining the Plan.

During 2000, contributions by the Employers were made on a matched basis at a rate of 75% of participant deferred compensation up to a maximum of 3% of eligible compensation and Plan participants were eligible for the employer contributions one year after their date of hire.

Total contributions in a plan year may not exceed maximum allowable contributions as prescribed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

#### (d) PLAN AMENDMENTS

Effective January 1, 2001, all contributions under the former Money Purchase Pension Plan ceased and the Plan added a profit sharing feature, which will allow the Employers to make annual discretionary contributions to eligible employees. The vesting period for discretionary profit sharing contributions is five years. The discretionary profit sharing contributions vest at a rate of 20% of each year of service, with full vesting occurring after five years of service.

Effective January 1, 2001, the Employers' matching contribution became equal to 100% of the first 3% contributed by participants and 50% of the next 2%, and the eligibility requirements were amended to make participants eligible for participation in the matching contributions as of the first day of the month following their date of hire.

During 2000, the Plan adopted a prototype plan document. As a result, a number of changes were made to the Plan.

Effective November 1, 2000, all participants were immediately vested in Employers' current and previous nondiscretionary matching contributions, and the vesting schedule for contributions under the Money Purchase Pension Plan, which was merged into the Retirement Plan on January 1, 2001, was modified from a seven-year vesting schedule to a five-year vesting schedule.

#### (e) PARTICIPANT ACCOUNTS

At December 31, 2001 and 2000, participant contributions were invested as directed by each participant in 14 separate investment alternatives, one of which was a self-directed brokerage account. Participants may change investment options daily and can change their contribution percentage monthly.

In the event a participant fails to submit written notice of allocation, contributions will be invested at the discretion of the Plan administrator.

Interest, dividends, and other income earned by the investment funds are reinvested in the same funds. Such amounts are allocated to participants based upon the proportion of a participant's balance to that total fund balance.

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#### (f) PARTICIPANT LOANS

Eligible participants may borrow up to 50% of their account balance. The minimum and maximum loan amount is \$1,000 and \$50,000, respectively. Loans bear interest at a rate equal to prime plus 2% and must be repaid within five years or, when the proceeds of a loan are used to purchase a dwelling unit, 15 years.

#### (g) VESTING

Participants are immediately vested in all contributions they make to the Plan as well as all earnings (losses) on such investments. Prior to November 1, 2000, Employers' nondiscretionary matching contributions became fully vested after the earlier of three years of employment; two years of participation in the Plan; or upon death, disability, or retirement, and contributions under the former Money Purchase Pension Plan vested over a seven-year period. Effective November 1, 2000, participants were immediately vested in Employers' nondiscretionary matching contributions and the vesting of the contributions under the former Money Purchase Pension Plan was accelerated to a five-year vesting schedule at a rate of 20% for each year of service. There is a five-year vesting period for discretionary profit sharing contributions in which participants vest at a rate of 20% for each year of service, with full vesting occurring after five years of service.

#### (h) PAYMENT OF BENEFITS

Upon retirement, death, disability, or termination of service (subject to vesting requirements), participants or beneficiaries are entitled to a distribution equal to the total value of their accounts, and under certain circumstances the Plan administrator may distribute all of a participant's account if that participant is no longer eligible to make contributions to the Plan. Participants experiencing serious financial hardships may also be entitled to a distribution upon approval of the Plan administrator. Such distributions may be made:

- (1) in cash as a lump-sum payment;
- (2) in common stock for the value of an individual's investment in that common stock;
- (3) in the form of installments over a fixed period; or
- (4) under other methods of payment that may be adopted and applied uniformly among all Plan participants by the Plan administrator.

Request for distribution of a participant's account will be processed as soon as possible following the event (i.e., termination, retirement, disability, or death) that calls for distribution.

### (i) FORFEITURES

Forfeited amounts of \$38,424, \$12,934, and \$15,108 were used to reduce Employers' contributions under the Plan in 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively, and were allocated to participant accounts as if they were contributed by the Employers.

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#### (j) PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of termination of the Plan, each participant will immediately become fully vested and be entitled to full distribution of its share of the Plan. In addition, each of the Employers has the right to discontinue its contributions at any time. None of the Employers has expressed any intent to discontinue contributions.

#### (k) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Effective January 1, 2001, administrative expenses have been paid by both the Company and the Plan. During 2000, the administrative expenses have been paid by the Company.

#### (2) SALE OF PIONEER METAL FINISHING

In 1997, Pioneer Metal Finishing (Pioneer) was sold to its management group. The Plan granted immediate 100% vesting to those Pioneer employees who were employed on the sale date. Approximately \$54,000 and \$33,000 and in benefit distributions from the Plan relating to the sale of Pioneer were paid in 2001 and 2000, respectively.

#### (3) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis, with average cost used in determining gains or losses on sales of investments. Dividends are recorded on ex-dividend dates.

### (b) INVESTMENT VALUATION

Plan investments are stated at fair market value using quoted market prices. Shares of mutual funds are valued at the net asset value to shares held by the plan at year-end.

Effective November 2000, and upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct contributions to any of the funds listed below. The investment funds at December 31, 2001 were as follows:

The Calvert Income Fund A seeks to maximize income, to the extent consistent with prudent investment management and preservation of capital, through investment in bonds and other income-producing securities. The fund typically invests at least 65% of its assets in investment grade debt securities. The fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in foreign securities, 35% of its net assets in below-investment grade bonds, up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities, up to 5% of its total assets in currency contracts, and up to 5% of its net assets in futures contracts. The fund is also permitted to use certain other investment techniques and strategies that have higher risks associated with them. At December 31, 2001, 28 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$16.69 and 13,413, respectively.

The Pin Oak Aggressive Stock Fund seeks long-term growth of capital and normally invests at least 80% of its assets in equity

securities. The fund invests primarily in companies with market

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capitalizations between \$500 million and \$5 billion. At December 31, 2001, 44 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$23.89 and 7,390, respectively.

The Plan offers a Self-Directed Brokerage Account, whereby the participant invests his or her account balance in any investment desired, within certain specific limitations. For purposes of the Plan, participants are allowed to direct their investments at their own discretion. The total number of shares was 2,866,084 and there were 134 plan participants at December 31, 2001.

The American Century International Growth Fund seeks capital growth and primarily invests in securities of issuers located in at least three developed countries (excluding the United States) that meet certain fundamental and technical standards and have potential for capital appreciation. Under normal market conditions, the fund's managers keep the fund essentially fully invested in stocks and, when prudent, may invest a portion of the assets in other securities. At December 31, 2001, 14 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$7.97 and 6,257, respectively.

The Excelsior Value and Restructuring Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing in companies that will benefit from their restructuring or redeployment of assets and operations in order to become more competitive or profitable. The fund normally invests at least 65% of its assets in common stock of U.S. and, to a lesser extent, foreign companies whose share price, in the opinion of the advisor, does not reflect the economic value of the company's assets, but where the advisor believes restructuring efforts or industry consolidation will serve to highlight the true value of the company. At December 31, 2001, 69 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$32.06 and 28,229, respectively.

The Fremont U.S. Micro-Cap Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation. The fund ordinarily invests at least 80% of its total assets in the stocks of U.S. micro-cap companies (companies that fall within the smallest 5% of market capitalization of companies listed on U.S. exchanges or on the over-the-counter market). The fund seeks to identify companies early in their growth cycle that possess various characteristics, such as a leading market position, an entrepreneurial management team, and a focused business plan, or whose growth potential has been enhanced by new products, new market opportunities, or new management. At December 31, 2001, 19 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$28.29 and 4,359, respectively.

The Janus Worldwide Fund seeks long-term growth of capital in a

manner consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund invests primarily in common stocks of companies of any size located throughout the world. The fund normally invests in issuers from at least five different countries, including the United States, but may at times invest in fewer than five countries or even a single country. At December 31, 2001, 51 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$43.84 and 6,857, respectively.

The White Oak Growth Stock Fund seeks long-term growth of capital. The fund normally invests at least 80% of assets in equity securities. It invests primarily in companies with market capitalizations

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of greater than \$5 billion. At December 31, 2001, 40 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$38.44 and 5,425, respectively.

The Schwab Institutional Advantage Money Fund is designed for retirement plans, plan participants, and other institutional investors who seek maximum current income consistent with liquidity and stability of capital, for investment of their own funds or funds for which they act in a fiduciary, agency, or custodial capacity. At December 31, 2001, 29 plan participants were invested in the fund. The number of shares was 246,369 at December 31, 2001.

The Strong Growth 20 Fund - Investor Class seeks capital growth and focuses, under normal conditions, on stocks of 20 to 30 companies that its manager believes have favorable prospects for accelerating growth of earnings but are selling at reasonable valuations based on earnings, cash flow, or asset value, and can include stocks of any size. The fund can also write put and call options and, to a limited extent, may also invest in foreign securities. At December 31, 2001, 99 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$14.74 and 67,423, respectively.

The Schwab S&P 500 Fund - Select Shares seeks to track the total return of the S&P 500 Index. The fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in the stocks that compose the index. The fund generally gives the same weight to a given stock as the index does. The fund also may invest in futures contracts and lend securities to minimize the gap in performance that naturally exists between any index fund and its index. At December 31, 2001, 24 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$17.71 and 49,269, respectively.

The Turner Midcap Growth Fund seeks capital appreciation. The fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in common stocks and other equity securities of U.S. companies with medium market capitalizations, which are defined as companies within the range of companies included in the Russell Midcap Growth Index. The fund

invests in securities of companies that are diversified across economic sectors and attempts to maintain sector concentrations that approximate those of the Russell Midcap Growth Index. At December 31, 2001, 45 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$21.91 and 34,610, respectively.

The Value Line Asset Allocation Fund seeks high total investment return (current income and capital appreciation) consistent with reasonable risk. The fund may invest in a broad range of common stocks, bonds, and money-market instruments. There are no limits on the percentage of the fund's assets that can be invested in equity, debt, or money market securities. At December 31, 2001, 50 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$17.23 and 28,186, respectively.

The Weitz Partners Value Fund's primary investment objective is capital appreciation. The fund invests primarily in common stocks and various securities convertible into common stocks, such as rights, warrants, convertible preferred stock, and convertible bonds, of sound, growing, well-managed businesses. The fund also may invest in other securities of a company not convertible into common stock, such as bonds and preferred stock. The fund may, with respect to 50% of its total

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assets, concentrate its investments by investing more than 5% of its total assets in the security of one issuer. At December 31, 2001, 27 plan participants were invested in the fund. At December 31, 2001, the value per share and number of shares were \$20.87 and 13,928, respectively.

### (4) INVESTMENTS

The following presents investments, at fair market value, that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets:

	2001	2000
Safeguard Scientifics, Inc.		
(463,262 and 646,129 shares, respectively)	\$ 1,621,417	* 4,280,606 *
Excelsior Value and Restructuring Fund - Class A		
(28,229 and 22,560 shares, respectively)	905,025	* 762 <b>,</b> 989 *
Strong Growth 20 Fund - Investor Class		
(67,423 and 76,800 shares, respectively)	993 <b>,</b> 813	* 1,929,985 *
Schwab S&P 500 Fund		
(49,269 and 9,035 shares, respectively)	872 <b>,</b> 545	* 184,034
Turner Midcap Growth Fund		
(34,610 and 24,314 shares, respectively)	758 <b>,</b> 306	* 743,770 *

Value Line Asset Allocation Fund (28,186 and 16,412 shares, respectively)

485,650 \* 310,446

\* Represents 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for benefits.

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During 2001, 2000, and 1999, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the years) (depreciated) appreciated in value by (4,954,498), (42,596,390), and 45,797,568, respectively, as follows:

#### YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31

INVESTMENT	2001	2000	1999
Mutual funds	\$ (648,694)	(438,790)	74,156
Common stock	(4,305,804)	(42,157,600)	45,723,412
	\$ (4,954,498)	(42,596,390)	45,797,568
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In March 2000, the Company paid a three-for-one split of its common shares. The accompanying financial statements reflect this stock split.

### (5) INCOME TAX STATUS

Participant contributions are made from compensation before income tax deductions in accordance with Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Participants are not subject to income tax on contributions to the Plan, appreciation in Plan assets, or income earned thereon until their funds are withdrawn from the Plan.

The IRS has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated July 15, 1995 that the Plan is designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. In 2000, the Plan adopted a prototype plan that has received an opinion letter from the IRS that the prototype satisfies the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code.

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IDENTITY OF ISSUE,		
BORROWER, LESSOR,	MATURITY DATE, RATE OF INTEREST,	
OR SIMILAR PARTY	COLLATERAL, PAR, OR MATURITY VALUE	
Calvert Group	Calvert Income Fund A	\$ 222 <b>,</b> 853
Oak Associates Funds	Pin Oak Aggressive Stock Fund	330 <b>,</b> 967
Various	* Self-Directed Brokerage Account	2,866,084
American Century		
Investments	American Century International Growth Fund	71,357
Excelsior Funds	Excelsior Value and Restructuring Fund	945,237
Fremont Funds	Fremont U.S. Micro-Cap Fund	132,307
Janus	Janus Worldwide Fund	417,541
Oak Associates Funds	White Oak Growth Stock Fund	335,146
Schwab Funds	Schwab Institutional Advantage Money Fund	246,369
Strong Funds	Strong Growth 20 Fund - Investor Class	1,665,260
Schwab Funds	Schwab S&P 500 Fund - Select Shares	1,035,750
Turner	Turner Midcap Growth Fund	1,122,760
Value Line Mutual Funds	Value Line Asset Allocation Fund	558,438
Weitz Funds	Weitz Partners Value Fund	296,147
Participant loans	Interest rates ranging from 8.5% to 10.5%,	
-	maturity dates ranging from September 2003 to August 2011	

\* Includes the stock of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc., which is the plan administrator, and therefore, any transactions related to this investment are party-in-interest transactions.

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

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SCHEDULE 2

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
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Schedule of Reportable Transactions
Year ended December 31, 2001

A reportable transaction is a transaction or a series of transactions of the same security that involves an amount in excess of 5% of the current value of the net assets at the beginning of the period.

IDENTITY OF PARTY INVOLVED	DESCRIPTION OF ASSET (INCLUDING INTEREST RATE AND MATURITY IN CASE OF A LOAN)	PURCHASE PRICE	SELLING PRICE	LEASE RENTAL	EXPENSES INCURRED WI TRANSACTIC
Aggregate*:					
	Calvert Income Fund A	\$ 270,810			
	Pin Oak Aggressive Stock Fund	260,468			
	Self-Directed Brokerage Account	6,538,917			
	American Century International Growth Fund	262,345			
	Excelsior Value and Restructuring Fund	1,505,464			
	Fremont U.S. Micro-Cap Fund	118,025			
	Janus Worldwide Fund	355,412			
	White Oak Growth Stock Fund	418,108			
	Schwab Institutional Advantage Money Fund	249,500			
	Strong Growth 20 Fund - Investor Class	3,001,395			
	Schwab S&P 500 Fund - Select Shares	2,239,141			
	Turner Midcap Growth Fund	1,185,791			
	Value Line Asset Allocation Fund	721,110			
	Weitz Partners Value Fund	201,134			

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SCHEDULE 2

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Schedule of Reportable Transactions
Year ended December 31, 2001

A reportable transaction is a transaction or a series of transactions of the same security that involves an amount in excess of 5% of the current value of the net assets at the beginning of the period.

IDENTITY OF PARTY INVOLVED	DESCRIPTION OF ASSET (INCLUDING INTEREST RATE AND MATURITY IN CASE OF A LOAN)	CHASE RICE	SELLING PRICE	LEASE RENTAL	EXPENSES INCURRED WITH TRANSACTION
Aggregate**:					
	Calvert Income Fund A	\$ 	82,461		
	Pin Oak Aggressive Stock Fund		63 <b>,</b> 823		
	Self-Directed Brokerage Account		557,236		
	American Century International Growth Fund		142,969		
	Excelsior Value and Restructuring Fund		303,317		
	Fremont U.S. Micro-Cap Fund		76,539		
	Janus Worldwide Fund		74,136		
	White Oak Growth Stock Fund		83,480		
	Schwab Institutional Advantage Money Fund		24,005		
	Strong Growth 20 Fund - Investor Class		864,947		

<sup>\*</sup> Represents the aggregate transfer of assets from the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Money Purchase Pension Plan to the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan.

Schwab S&P 500 Fund - Select Shares	 274,927	 
Turner Midcap Growth Fund	 227,741	 
Value Line Asset Allocation Fund	 158,367	 
Weitz Partners Value Fund	 75,752	 

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

\*\* Represents the aggregate transfer of assets from the Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. Retirement Plan to the TL Ventures Retirement Plan.