

FRANKLIN LTD DURATION INCOME TRUST
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT
TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO
§ 240.13d-2(a)

(Name of Issuer) Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust

ARP
(Title of Class of Securities)

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(CUSIP Number)

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January 31, 2018
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See § 240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

1 The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

Karpus Investment Management

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) ☒ (b) ☐

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

AF

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e) ☐

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
	8	2,545 SHARED VOTING POWER
	9	- SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	10	2,545 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

12 - CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES ☐

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

14 70.69%
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

George W. Karpus

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
	8	136 SHARED VOTING POWER
	9	42 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	10	136 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

42

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

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12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES ☐

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

4.94%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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Item 1.

Security and Issuer.

This statement relates to the ARP of Franklin Limited Duration Income Trust (the "Shares"). The address of the principal executive offices of the Issuer is One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, CA 94403 ..

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Item 2.

Identity and Background.

a) This statement is filed by:

(i) Karpus Management, Inc., d/b/a Karpus Investment Management ("Karpus"); and

(ii) George W. Karpus, the President and CEO of Karpus. Mr. Karpus owns Shares individually and may be deemed the beneficial owner of Shares held by The Karpus Family Foundation, Inc., George W. Karpus IRA Rollover, Karpus Investment Management Profit Sharing Plan Fund C- Growth Common Stock Fund, and Karpus Investment Management Defined Benefit Plan (collectively, the "Karpus Entities").

Each of the foregoing is referred to as a "Reporting Person" and collectively as the "Reporting Persons." Each of the Reporting Persons is party to that certain Joint Filing Agreement as further described in Item 6. Accordingly, the Reporting Persons are hereby filing a joint Schedule 13D.

Set forth on Schedule A annexed hereto ("Schedule A") is the name and present principal business, occupation or employment and the name, principal business and address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is conducted of the executive officers and directors of Karpus. To the best of the Reporting Persons' knowledge, except as otherwise set on Schedule A, none of the persons listed on Schedule A beneficially owns any securities of the Issuer or is a party to any contract, agreement or understanding required to be disclosed herein.

(b) The address of the principal office of each of the Reporting Persons is 183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534.

(c) The principal business of Karpus is serving as a registered investment adviser who provides investment management for individuals, pension plans, profit sharing plans, corporations, endowments, trusts, and others. The principal occupation of Mr. Karpus is serving as the President and CEO of Karpus.

(d) No Reporting Person nor any person listed on Schedule A has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) No Reporting Person nor any person listed on Schedule A has, during the last five years, been party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

(f) Karpus is organized under the laws of the State of New York. Mr. Karpus is a citizen of the United States of America.

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Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration..

Karpus, an independent registered investment advisor, has accumulated - Shares on behalf of accounts that are managed by Karpus (the “Accounts”) under limited powers of attorney, which represents 70.69% of the outstanding Shares. All funds that have been utilized in making such purchases are from such Accounts.

The aggregate purchase price of the - Shares beneficially owned by Karpus Investment Management is approximately \$59,578,125 , excluding brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the - Shares held by Mr. Karpus and the Karpus Entities is approximately \$4,171,875 , excluding brokerage commissions.

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Item 4.

Purpose of Transaction..

KIM has purchased Shares for the Accounts for investment purposes. However, KIM reserves the right to contact management with regard to concerns that they have with respect to the Fund. This may include letters to the Board and/or other communications with Fund management. Being an independent registered investment advisor, with a specialty focus in closed end funds, the profile of this security fits the investment guidelines for various Accounts. Shares have been acquired since February 02, 2009 ..

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Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5(a)-(c) is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

The aggregate percentage of Shares reported owned by each Reporting Person is based upon 3,600 Shares outstanding, which is the total number of Shares outstanding as of February 14, 2018 as reported in the Issuer's Certified Shareholder Report of Registered Management Investment Companies on Form N-CSR, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 28, 2017 ..

A .. Karpus Investment Management

(a) As of the close of business on February 14, 2018 , Karpus Investment Management beneficially owned - Shares held in the Accounts.

Percentage: 70.69%

- (b)
1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 2,545
 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: -
 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 2,545
 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: -

B .. George W. Karpus

(a) As of the close of business on February 14, 2018 , George W. Karpus beneficially owned 136 Shares. In addition, George W. Karpus may be deemed to beneficially own the 42 Shares held in the Karpus Entities.

Percentage: 4.94%

- (b)
1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 136
 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 42
 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 136
 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 42

The filing of this Schedule 13D shall not be construed as an admission that the Reporting Persons are, for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the beneficial owners of any of the Shares reported herein. Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such Shares except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein.

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Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer..
Except as described above, there are no contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships of any kind among the Principals and Kaprus and between any of them and any other person with respect to the above referenced securities.

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Item 7.

Material to be Filed as Exhibits..

None.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 14, 2018

KARPUS MANAGEMENT, INC.

By: /s/ Daniel Lippincott
Name: Daniel Lippincott
Title: Senior Tax-Sensitive Manager

KARPUS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN

By: /s/ Kathleen F. Crane
Name: Kathleen F. Crane
Title: Chief Financial Officer & Chief
Compliance Officer of Karpus
Investment Management

/s/ George W. Karpus
GEORGE W. KARPUS

/s/ Glen T. Insley
GLEN T. INSLEY

/s/ Arthur Charles Regan
ARTHUR CHARLES REGAN

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SCHEDULE A

Executive Officers & Directors of Karpus Management, Inc., d/b/a Karpus Investment Management

Name	Position & Present Principal Occupation	Business Address	Shares Owned
George W. Karpus	President, CEO, and Chairman of the Board	183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534	See Above
Kathleen Finnerty Crane	Chief Financial Officer and Chief Compliance Officer	183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534	0 Shares
Dana R. Consler	Executive Vice President	183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534	0 Shares
Thomas M. Duffy	Vice President	183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534	0 Shares
Sharon L. Thornton	Senior Director of Investments	183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534	0 Shares
Daniel L. Lippincott	Sr. Tax-Sensitive Manager and Director of Investment Personnel	183 Sully's Trail, Pittsford, New York 14534	0 Shares

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SCHEDULE B

Transactions in the Shares over the last 60 days.

Nature of the Transaction	Securities Purchased/(Sold)	Price Per Share(\$)	Date of Purchase / Sale
KARPUS MANAGEMENT, INC., D/B/A/ KARPUS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT (THROUGH THE ACCOUNTS)			
Purchase of Common Stock	2	\$23,500.00	12/28/2017