

FLAHERTY & CRUMRINE/CLAYMORE TOTAL RETURN FUND INC

Form N-PX

August 21, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-PX

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-21380

Flaherty & Crumrine/Claymore 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)

Donald F. Crumrine  
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, 2008 - June 30, 2009

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PROXY VOTING RECORD

FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 2008 TO JUNE 30, 2009

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REGISTRANT NAME: Flaherty & Crumrine /  
 Claymore Total Return Fund Incorporated  
 INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FILE NUMBER: 811 - 21380  
 REPORTING PERIOD: 07/01/2008 - 06/30/2009  
 REGISTRANT ADDRESS: 301 E. Colorado Boulevard,  
 Suite 720, Pasadena,  
 California 91101

NAME OF SERIES (AS APPLICABLE):

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 WISCONSIN POWER & LIGHT

Ticker Symbol: WIS-P CUSIP/Security ID: 976826867  
 Meeting Date: 5/20/2009

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON	WHO PROPOSED MATTER: ISSUER / SHAREHOLDER	WHETHER FUND CAST VOTE ON MATTER	FUND'S VOTE OR AGAINST PROPOSAL ABSTAIN; F WITHHOLD REGARDING ELECTION DIRECTOR
Approve directors	Issuer	Yes	For
Approve auditor	Issuer	Yes	For

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 WISCONSIN POWER & LIGHT

Ticker Symbol: WIS-P CUSIP/Security ID: 976826875  
 Meeting Date: 5/20/2009

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON	WHO PROPOSED MATTER: ISSUER / SHAREHOLDER	WHETHER FUND CAST VOTE ON MATTER	FUND'S VOTE OR AGAINST PROPOSAL ABSTAIN; F WITHHOLD REGARDING ELECTION DIRECTOR
Approve directors	Issuer	Yes	For
Approve auditor	Issuer	Yes	For

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 WACHOVIA PREFERRED FUNDING

Ticker Symbol: WNA-P CUSIP/Security ID: 92977V206  
 Meeting Date: 5/11/2009

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Approve directors	Issuer	Yes	For

BANK OF AMERICA

Ticker Symbol: BAC

CUSIP/Security ID: 060505583

Meeting Date: 4/29/2009

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON	WHO PROPOSED MATTER: ISSUER / SHAREHOLDER	WHETHER FUND CAST VOTE ON MATTER	FUND'S VOTE OR AGAINST PROPOSAL ABSTAIN; F WITHHOLD REGARDI ELECTION DIRECTOR
Approve directors	Issuer	Yes	For
Approve auditor	Issuer	Yes	For
Advisory vote approving executive comp	Issuer	Yes	For
Disclosure of government employment	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Advisory vote on exec. comp.	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Cumulative voting	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Special stockholder meetings	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Independent Board Chairman	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Predatory credit card lending practices	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Adoption of principles for healthcare reform	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Limits on executive compensation	Security Holder	Yes	Against

BANK OF AMERICA

Ticker Symbol: BAC

CUSIP/Security ID: 060505567

Meeting Date: 4/29/2009

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON	WHO PROPOSED MATTER: ISSUER / SHAREHOLDER	WHETHER FUND CAST VOTE ON MATTER	FUND'S VOTE OR AGAINST PROPOSAL ABSTAIN; F WITHHOLD REGARDI ELECTION DIRECTOR
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Approve directors	Issuer	Yes	For
Approve auditor	Issuer	Yes	For
Advisory vote approving executive comp	Issuer	Yes	For
Disclosure of government employment	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Advisory vote on exec. comp.	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Cumulative voting	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Special stockholder meetings	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Independent Board Chairman	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Predatory credit card lending practices	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Adoption of principles for healthcare reform	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Limits on executive compensation	Security Holder	Yes	Against

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BANK OF AMERICA

Ticker Symbol: BAC  
Meeting Date: 4/29/2009

CUSIP/Security ID: 060505633

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON	WHO PROPOSED MATTER: ISSUER / SHAREHOLDER	WHETHER FUND CAST VOTE ON MATTER	FUND'S VOT
			OR AGAI PROPOSAL ABSTAIN; F WITHHOL REGARDI ELECTION DIRECTO
Approve directors	Issuer	Yes	For
Approve auditor	Issuer	Yes	For
Advisory vote approving executive comp	Issuer	Yes	For
Disclosure of government employment	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Advisory vote on exec. comp.	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Cumulative voting	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Special stockholder meetings	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Independent Board Chairman	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Predatory credit card lending practices	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Adoption of principles for healthcare reform	Security Holder	Yes	Against
Limits on executive compensation	Security Holder	Yes	Against

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HBOS PLC

Ticker Symbol: HBOS  
Meeting Date: 12/12/2008

CUSIP/Security ID: 42205MAC0

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON	WHO PROPOSED MATTER: ISSUER / SHAREHOLDER	WHETHER FUND CAST VOTE ON MATTER	FUND'S VOT
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BONY Mellon will consent to preference scheme	Issuer	Yes	For
Approval of preference share scheme	Issuer	Yes	For
Reduction of share capital	Issuer	Yes	For

\* Complete for each series of the Registrant, as applicable.

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/Claymore Total Return Fund Incorporated

By (Signature and Title)\* /s/ Donald F. Crumrine

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Donald F. Crumrine, Director,  
Chairman of the Board and Chief  
Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date 8/20/2009  
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\* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.