

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

November 16, 2021

David Rench Chief Financial Officer Applied Blockchain, Inc. 3811 Turtle Creek Blvd., Suite 2100 Dallas, TX 75219

> Re: Applied Blockchain, Inc. Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 Filed November 2, 2021 File No. 333-258818

Dear Mr. Rench:

We have reviewed your amended registration statement and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments. Unless we note otherwise, our references to prior comments are to comments in our September 10, 2021 letter.

# Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-1

## Risk Factors, page 7

1. We note your added disclosure in response to prior comment 11. Please include an additional risk factor highlighting this related party transaction (and any others), highlighting the potential for conflicts of interests and self dealing that could result from such transactions.

# Any disruption of service experienced by certain of our third-party service providers..., page 9

2. We note your response to prior comment 4; however, your added disclosure does not address the potential for conflicts of interest between your service providers and the company if your service providers are also competitors of the company. Please revise.

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Cryptoassets' assets status as a "security," a "commodity" or as a financial instrument..., page 12

3. Please delete the first sentence of this risk factor because without additional clarifying language it is potentially misleading.

# Management, page 52

4. We note your response to prior comment 12. For each director and executive officer, please state the period of service for each position such person holds at the company (for example, please provide the date on which such person joined the company). Please refer to Item 401(a) of Regulation S-K.

# Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management, page 69

5. We note your response to prior comment 13. Please further revise the table to identify the two individuals who have voting power and dispositive power over the shares held by the entities in the body of the table. You may include the identification of the entities that hold the shares and the statements disclaiming beneficial ownership by each individual in the accompanying footnotes.

# <u>3. Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies</u> Cryptoassets, page F-22

6. With a view to expanded disclosure, tell us your considerations as to whether or not you will use industry specific impairment testing triggers, such as an acquisition or sale of a crypto-asset for a price that is materially below the carrying value of similar crypto-assets held. Similarly, tell us how you determine the principal or most advantageous market from which you obtain the quoted price for your crypto-assets.

You may contact Joseph Kempf, Senior Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3352 or Robert Littlepage, Accounting Branch Chief, at (202) 551-3361 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Priscilla Dao, Staff Attorney, at (202) 551-5997 or Larry Spirgel, Office Chief, at (202) 551-3815 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Technology

cc: Carol Sherman