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

#### **SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934** 

#### **CION Ares Diversified Credit Fund**

(Name of Issuer)

Series A - Mandatory Redeemable Preferred

Series B - Mandatory Redeemable Preferred

Series C - Mandatory Redeemable Preferred

**Series D - Mandatory Redeemable Preferred** 

(Title of Class of Securities)

## 17260G2@1 (Series A), 17260G3@0 (Series B), 17260G4@9 (Series C), 17260G5@8 (Series D)

(CUSIP Number)

#### July 30, 2021

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

[ ] Rule 13d-1(c)

[ ] Rule 13d-1(d)

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see Instructions).

<sup>\*</sup> 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 the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

1	1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Principal Life Insurance Company					
	I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)					
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ] (b) [ ]					
3	SEC USE ONLY					
4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Iowa					
		5	SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
SI	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		SHARED VOTING POWER 2,080,000			
REF			SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
FERSON WITH		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 2,080,000			
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 2,080,000					
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES					
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 9.1%					
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IC					

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Principal Global Investors, LLC					
	I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)					
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ] (b) [ ]					
3	SEC USE ONLY					
4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware					
		5	SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
SI	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		SHARED VOTING POWER 2,080,000			
REF			SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
FERSON WITH		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 2,080,000			
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#### ITEM 1(a). NAME OF ISSUER:

CION Ares Diversified Credit Fund

#### ITEM 1(b). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

100 Park Avenue, 25th Floor New York, NY 10017

#### ITEM 2(a). NAME OF PERSON FILING:

This Statement is filed by Principal Global Investors, LLC (PGI) and Principal Life Insurance Company (PLIC). This Statement relates to the shares of Mandatory Redeemable Preferred Stock (the Shares) of the Issuer indirectly beneficially owned by PGI and directly beneficially owned by PLIC. PGI is the majority owner of PLIC and is an SEC registered investment adviser.

#### ITEM 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:

Principal Life Insurance Company 711 High Street Des Moines, IA 50392

Principal Global Investors, LLC 801 Grand Street Des Moines, IA 50392

#### ITEM 2(c). CITIZENSHIP:

Principal Life Insurance Company - Iowa Principal Global Investors, LLC - Delaware

### ITEM 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:

Mandatory Redeemable Preferred Stock

#### ITEM 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER:

17260G2@1 (Series A), 17260G3@0 (Series B), 17260G4@9 (Series C), 17260G5@8 (Series D)

# ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 240.13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c) CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

(a)	[]	Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
(b)	[]	Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
(c)	[X]	Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
(d)	[]	Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8)
(e)	[X]	An investment adviser in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
(f)	[]	An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
(g)	[]	A parent holding company or control person in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
(h)	[]	A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
(i)	[]	A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
(j)	[]	A non-U.S. institution in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
(k)	[]	Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K). If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with

#### ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

Principal Global Investors, LLC and Principal Life Insurance Company jointly own 2,080,000 shares.

240.13d1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

#### (a) Amount beneficially owned:

As of June 14, 2023, PGI may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 2,080,000 Shares, which are beneficially owned directly by PLIC.

#### (b) Percent of class:

As of June 14, 2023, PGI may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 9.1% of the Shares outstanding, which are beneficially owned directly by PLIC.

#### (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

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(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

2,080,000

(iii) sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

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(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

2,080,000

#### ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [].

#### ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

See disclosure in Item 2 hereof.

# ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

See disclosure in Item 2 hereof.

#### ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not Applicable.

#### ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:

Not Applicable.

#### ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

### **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

June 16 2023 Principal Life Insurance Company

By: /s/ Dennis Menken

Name: Dennis Menken

Title: Chief Investment Officer, PLIC

June 16 2023 Principal Global Investors, LLC

By: /s/ Jill Hittner

Name: Jill Hittner

Title: Chief Financial Officer, PGI

Attention — Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).

#### JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G may be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint filing agreements.