

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2021</u> and ending <u>12/31/2021</u>	
A This return/report is for:	☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B This return/report is:	☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.	☐
D Check box if filing under:	☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.	☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information										
1a Name of plan <u>GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED 401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;"><u>001</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/1997</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>22-1711805</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>908-241-8980</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2d Business code (see instructions) <u>238210</u></td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/1997</u>		2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>22-1711805</u>		2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>908-241-8980</u>		2d Business code (see instructions) <u>238210</u>	
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2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED</u> <u>1 MILLTOWN CT</u> <u>UNION, NJ 07083</u>											

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/03/2022	JOHN APPICIE
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/03/2022	JOHN APPICIE
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor		3b Administrator's EIN	
		3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name		4b EIN 4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year		5	140
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).			
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year.....		6a(1)	139
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	156
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits		6c	1
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d	157
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e	0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f	157
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g	13
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6h	0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....		7	
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2A 2E 2J 2K 2F 2G 3D 3H 2T			
b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:			
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor		9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)			
a Pension Schedules (1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ <u>0</u> A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☐ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)	

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2021 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2021 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2021
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021		
A Name of plan GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED 401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-1711805	

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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ROCHESTER, NY 14614

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10	NONE	9000	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

SAX WEALTH ADVISORS LLC

855 VALLEY ROAD
CLIFTON, NJ 07013

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
26 51	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	8155	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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125 S 4TH STREET
NORFOLK, NE 68701

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 50 64	RECORDKEEPER	5310	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2021</u> and ending <u>12/31/2021</u>		
A Name of plan <u>GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED 401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>22-1711805</u>	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
	Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a	0	3244
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	1435	0
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)	5668	0
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	2006	2007
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	0	24506
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts.....	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	749607	888321
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:		
(1)	Employer securities.....	1d(1)	
(2)	Employer real property.....	1d(2)	
e	Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	
f	Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	758716 918078
Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable	1g	
h	Operating payables	1h	
i	Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i	
j	Other liabilities.....	1j	0 3231
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0 3231
Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	758716 914847

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
Income			
a	Contributions:		
(1)	Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	20218
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	59479
	(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	
(2)	Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	
(3)	Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)	79697
b	Earnings on investments:		
(1)	Interest:		
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	0
	(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	
	(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	
	(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	
	(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	133
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	
	(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)	133
(2)	Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)	
	(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	35400
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)	35400
(3)	Rents	2b(3)	
(4)	Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)	
	(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)	0
(5)	Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	
	(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	
	(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)	0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		67342
c Other income.....	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		182572
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	3976	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		3976
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees.....	2i(1)	9000	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	5310	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees.....	2i(3)	8155	
(4) Other.....	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		22465
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		26441
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		156131
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan.....	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☒ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **INSERO & CO. CPA'S LLP**

(2) EIN: **47-5324570**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.).....

	Yes	No	Amount
4a	X		4749

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)			
4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)			
4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		100000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			
4n			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined
If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

A Name of plan GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED 401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-1711805

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 75-3182674 Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....	6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.	
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.....	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes ☐ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes ☐ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

Schedule R (Form 5500) 2021
v. 201209

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

- 14** Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....

14a

b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

14b

c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

14c

- 15** Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year.....

15a

b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year.....

15b

- 16** Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year.....

16a

b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers.....

16b

- 17** If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

- 18** If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

- 19** If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c)

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt:

☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more

c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)?

☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____

- 20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation _____



September 30, 2022

To the Plan Trustees of the
George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust
1 Milltown Ct
Union, New Jersey 07083

This letter is to inform the Plan Trustees of the George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust (the Plan) about significant matters related to the conduct of our audit as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, so that it can appropriately discharge its oversight responsibility and we comply with our professional responsibilities.

Auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) (AU-C 260, *The Auditor's Communication With Those Charged With Governance*) require the auditor to promote effective two-way communication between the auditor and those charged with governance. Consistent with this requirement, the following summarizes our responsibilities regarding the financial statement audit as well as observations arising from our audit that are significant and relevant to your responsibility to oversee the financial reporting process.

Our Responsibilities With Regard to the Financial Statement Audit

Our responsibility under GAAS has been described to you in our arrangement letter dated March 2, 2022. The audit of the financial statements does not relieve management or those charged with governance of their responsibilities, which are also described in that letter.

As management determined it is permissible in the circumstances and elected to have the audit of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), the audit did not extend to any certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of the applicable financial reporting framework.

Overview of the Planned Scope and Timing of the Financial Statement Audit

We have issued a separate communication dated March 2, 2022 regarding the planned scope and timing of our audit and identified significant risks.

Significant Accounting Practices, Including Policies, Estimates and Disclosures

Under generally accepted accounting principles, in certain circumstances, management may select among alternative accounting practices. In our view, management has selected the preferable accounting practice.

Management has the ultimate responsibility for the appropriateness of the accounting policies used by the Plan. The Plan did not adopt any significant new accounting policies nor have there been any changes in existing significant accounting policies during the plan year.

We did not identify any significant or unusual transactions or significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

We noted no sensitive accounting estimates relating to the financial statements of the Plan.

We have audited your financial statements and we did not note any issues related to the neutrality, consistency, and clarity of the disclosures in the financial statements.

Audit Adjustments and Uncorrected Misstatements

There were no audit adjustments made to the original trial balance presented to us to begin our audit.

We are not aware of any uncorrected misstatements other than misstatements that are clearly trivial.

Form 5500 Filing

GAAS require that we obtain and read a draft of the Plan's Form 5500 that is substantially complete prior to the dating of our auditor's report in order to identify material inconsistencies, if any, with the Plan's audited financial statements. We read the Plan's draft Form 5500 filing for consistency with information in the financial statements. We did not identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements.

ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedules

We subjected the information included in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. The objective of these audit procedures was to determine whether the ERISA-required supplemental schedules, other than the certified investment information, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole, whether the form and content of the ERISA-required supplemental schedules are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure Under ERISA, and whether the certified investment information in the supplemental schedules agrees to, or is derived from, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). We will include an other-matter paragraph in our auditor's report for the ERISA-required supplemental schedules. We did not identify inconsistencies with the audited financial statements or with the certified investment information.

Reportable Findings

In planning and performing the audit, we considered plan provisions relevant to designing audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Plan's financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the Plan's compliance with those provisions. Our audit was not designed to identify all instances that the Plan is not operating in accordance with the Plan's provisions or other specified criteria that might be considered reportable findings.

A reportable finding is one or more of the following:

- A matter that is identified as an instance of noncompliance or suspected noncompliance with laws or regulations
- A finding arising from the audit that is significant and relevant to those charged with governance regarding their responsibility to oversee the financial reporting process
- A deficiency in internal control identified during the audit that has not been communicated to management by other parties that is of sufficient importance to merit management's attention

We are required to communicate reportable findings from the audit procedures performed relating to the plan provisions to those charged with governance, in writing. We have identified the following reportable findings:

- During our audit, we noted that Plan management does not maintain formal documentation when an employee elects not to participate in the Plan.

We recommend that Plan management establish a document that employees who wish not to participate in the Plan must sign. This document should be maintained by Plan management for their records.

- During our audit, it was noted that the Plan has an unused forfeiture balance. Your plan document allows for forfeitures to be used to pay Plan administrative expenses or reduce employer contributions. Internal Revenue Service's rules require that balances in forfeiture accounts must be used within a twelve-month period.

We recommend that Plan management use your forfeiture balance to pay Plan expenses or offset employer contributions.

During the 2020 audit, and as previously communicated to you in our letter dated September 15, 2021 for the audit of the plan year ended December 31, 2020, the following additional reportable findings were noted and have not been corrected:

- During the 2020 audit, we noted that certain employee contributions were not remitted timely to the Plan. The general rule for deposits of 401(k) withholdings requires that the employer remit withheld employee deferrals to the Plan as soon as administratively feasible. We understand that the Department of Labor (DOL) has been reviewing the history of an employer's deposits, taking the earliest deposit during that time and then applying that as the standard that all deposits should meet. For example, we understand in situations where an employer's historical contribution deposits occurred anywhere from 2 to 12 days after pay date, the DOL has ruled that the 2-day deposit should be the standard timing for that employer's deposits. The DOL has further ruled that the employer should pay interest on the funds deposited beyond the standard timing.

We recommend that Plan management review the timeliness of the remittance and implement a process to ensure that amounts withheld from employees are remitted within the guidelines established by the DOL. We also recommend that management file Form 5330 and pay any applicable excise taxes, and that a contribution be made to all participants for lost earnings during 2020 and 2021. Failure to do so may result in penalty if the Plan is subjected to review by the DOL.

- During our 2020 audit, we noted certain participants did not receive elective deferrals or matching contributions on eligible compensation earned during pay periods in which they received more than one check.

We recommend that Plan management review this matter to determine what corrective action, if any, is necessary.

Internal Control Matters

Below is a summary of internal control matters identified during the planning and performance of our audits:

- During our audit, we noted that Plan management does not document discussions regarding the oversight of the Plan, nor review the investment transactions executed by the Plan's investment advisor.

With the significant number of investment failures within benefit plans, the complexity of investment alternatives, and the complexity of the tax laws covering the qualifications of the Plan and fiduciary responsibilities of the trustees and/or governing body, it is important that the trustee and/or governing body adequately document the due diligence they exercise over operations of the Plan.

We recommend that Plan management implement a formal process to review the Plan and its performance, as well as prepare and retain formal minutes of any meetings during which the Plan is discussed.

Disagreements With Management

We encountered no disagreements with management over the application of significant accounting principles, the basis for management's judgments on any significant matters, the scope of the audit, or significant disclosures to be included in the financial statements.

Consultation With Other Accountants

We are not aware of any consultations management had with other accountants about accounting or auditing matters.

Significant Issues Discussed or Subject to Correspondence With Management

No significant issues arising from the audit were discussed or were the subject of correspondence with management.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We did not encounter any significant difficulties in dealing with management during the audit.

Management Representations

Attached is a copy of the management representation letter.

Closing

We will be pleased to respond to any questions you have about the foregoing. We appreciate the opportunity to continue to be of service to the George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Plan Trustees and management and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Insero & Co. CPAs, LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Insero & Co. CPAs, LLP
Certified Public Accountants
Rochester, New York

George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust

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This representation letter is provided in connection with your audits of the financial statements of the George Bender Incorporated 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan & Trust (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021 and 2020; the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2021; and the related notes to the financial statements.

We elected to have the audit of the plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. We acknowledge that the audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier, that is regulated, supervised and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, a qualified institution, that prepared and certified the investment information in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. We have determined that an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is permissible under the circumstances. We have also determined that the investment information is prepared and certified by a qualified institution as described by 29 CFR 2520.103-8, that the certification meets the requirements in 29 CFR 2520.103-5 and that the certified information is appropriately measured, presented and disclosed in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

The purpose of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is to express an opinion on whether the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with U.S. GAAP and that the assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the certified investment information.

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We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, having made such inquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves, that as of September 30, 2022 :

Financial Statements

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit arrangement letter dated March 2, 2022, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements referred to above in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
2. We acknowledge our responsibility for administering the plan and determining the plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the ERISA plan financial statements are in conformity with the plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.
3. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
4. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
5. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable and reflect our judgment based on our knowledge and experience about past and current events, and our assumptions about conditions we expect to exist and courses of action we expect to take.
6. We are responsible for the estimation methods and assumptions used in measuring assets and liabilities reported or disclosed at fair value, including information obtained from brokers, pricing services or other third parties. Our valuation methodologies have been consistently applied from period to period. The fair value measurements reported or disclosed represented our best estimate of fair value as of the measurement date in accordance with the requirements of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, *Fair Value Measurement*. In addition, our disclosures related to fair value measurements are consistent with the objectives outlines in FASB ASC 820.
7. Related-party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
8. Transactions with parties in interest, as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA and regulations thereunder, including sales, purchases, loans, transfers, leasing arrangements and guarantees, and amounts receivable from or payable to related parties have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed.
9. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements, and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure, have been adjusted or disclosed.
10. The effects of all known actual or possible litigation and claims have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

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11. We have no intention to terminate the Plan.
12. We have properly reported and disclosed amendments to the Plan instrument, if any.
13. With respect to accounting services performed in the course of the audit, such as drafting the financial statements:
 - a. We have made all management decisions and performed all management functions;
 - b. We have assigned an appropriate individual to oversee the services who possesses suitable skills, knowledge, and/or expertise;
 - c. We have evaluated the adequacy and results of the services performed, and made an informed judgment on the results of the services performed;
 - d. We have accepted responsibility for the results of the services; and
 - e. We have accepted responsibility for all significant judgments and decisions that were made.
14. We have no knowledge of any uncorrected misstatements in the financial statements.

Supplementary Information

15. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of the ERISA-required supplemental schedules in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. In this regard:
 - a. We believe such schedules, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
 - b. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - c. We will only present the ERISA-required supplemental schedules together with the audited financial statements and auditor's report thereon and will not separate the ERISA-required supplemental schedules from the audited financial statements and auditor's report thereon in any document that contains such information.

Information Provided

16. We have provided you with:
 - a. Access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements such as records, documentation and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audits;

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- c. Unrestricted access to persons within the Plan from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence;
 - d. The currently effective version of the Plan document, including the prototype plan document and adoption agreement, the trust agreement or insurance contracts, and all related amendments. The Plan was most recently amended and restated effective January 1, 2022;
 - e. A draft of the Form 5500 that is substantially complete;
 - f. All correspondence, filings, reports and determinations with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the DOL relating to the Plan's compliance with ERISA and the maintenance of its tax-exempt status;
 - g. All Plan financial records and related data. In that regard, the payroll information we provided you covered all employees that were eligible to participate in the Plan.
17. All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements. The Plan Sponsor's management designated an individual with sufficient skills, knowledge and experience to oversee the financial statement preparation process and take responsibility for the results of the financial statement preparation services. This individual performed a detailed review of the financial statements, consisting of the following procedures:
- Reconciliation of the trust activity and participant statements to the financial statements.
 - Review and approval of all journal entries proposed by you, including the review of supporting documentation and explanations.
 - Review of the adequacy of financial statement disclosures by review and approval of the disclosure checklist completed by you.
 - Review and approval of schedules and calculations supporting the amounts included in the notes to the financial statements.
 - Applying analytical procedures to financial statements.
18. We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
19. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Plan involving:
- a. Management.
 - b. Employees who have significant roles in internal control.
 - c. Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
20. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Plan received in communications from employees, former employees, participants, regulators, beneficiaries, service providers, third-party administrators or others.

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21. We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements, and neither we nor the Plan Sponsor, or others acting on behalf of the Plan, have consulted a lawyer concerning litigation and claims or other matters affecting the Plan.
22. We have disclosed to you the identity of all of the Plan's related parties and parties in interest and all the related-party and party-in-interest relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
23. We are aware of no significant deficiencies, including material weaknesses, in the design or operation of internal controls that could adversely affect the Plan's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data.
24. We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets or liabilities.
25. The Plan or trust has satisfactory title to all owned assets that are recorded at fair value, and all liens, encumbrances or security interests have been properly disclosed.
26. We have answered your questions about the Plan's tax compliance to the best of our knowledge and belief.
27. We have provided you with all communications, whether written or oral, from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with, or deficiencies in the operation of the Plan.
28. We have complied with (a) all aspects of debt and other contractual agreements, including provisions of the Plan, that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance, (b) the fidelity bonding requirements of ERISA, (c) all participant eligibility and coverage requirements of the Plan, ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code (IRC), and (d) the filing requirements of appropriate agencies.
29. We have complied with the DOL's regulations concerning the timely remittance of participants' contributions to trusts containing assets for the Plan, except as disclosed in the financial statements.
30. We have disclosed non-exempt (prohibited) party-in-interest transactions related to late deposits of employee deferrals. Lost earnings on the deposits will be calculated and deposited to the trust by the Plan Sponsor in 2022. Form 5330 will also be filed to remit the applicable excise tax to the IRS. The correction and any excise taxes, if applicable will be paid out of the Plan Sponsor's, and not the Plan's, assets. The late deposit amount for the Plan year ended December 31, 2020 totaled approximately \$4,749.
31. We are aware of DOL Regulation 29 CFR Section 2510.3-102, which states that contributions withheld from participant wages should be contributed to the Plan as of the earliest date on which such contributions can be reasonably segregated from the employer's general assets, but in no event later than the 15th business day of the month following the month in which they are withheld. We believe the Plan and Plan Sponsor are and have been in compliance with the DOL provisions, including the timely remittance of participant contributions for the year ended December 31, 2021, except as noted on Schedule H, Line 4a.

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We believe our procedures for segregating and depositing contributions withheld from participant wages were in compliance with this regulation during the period covered by your audit. We understand that others, including the IRS or DOL, may view our circumstances differently and arrive at another conclusion.

32. We have disclosed to you all known instances of noncompliance or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations.
33. The Plan has adopted a non-standardized form of a prototype plan sponsored by CCH Incorporated, DBA ftwilliam.com. The prototype plan provider has received an opinion letter from the IRS as to the prototype plan's qualified status. The prototype plan opinion letter has been relied upon by the Plan. The Plan has been amended since the prototype plan received the opinion letter. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is designed and is being operated in compliance with the applicable provisions of the IRC.
34. We have reviewed the complementary user entity control considerations of the Service Organization Controls (SOC 1) Report for Retirement Plan Consultants LLC's Description of its Third-Party Administration and Recordkeeping System, dated February 23, 2022 for the period ended October 31, 2021, and Matrix Trust Company's Custody and Mutual Fund Processing Services, dated December 17, 2021 for the period ended September 30, 2021, and we believe all applicable controls are properly designed and implemented and operating effectively.
35. There are no:
 - a. Non-exempt (prohibited) party-in-interest transactions that were not disclosed in the financial statements or supplemental schedules.
 - b. Notes receivable from participants or other receivables or investments in default or considered to be uncollectible that were not disclosed in the financial statements or supplemental schedules.
 - c. Reportable transactions that were not disclosed in the supplemental schedules.
 - d. Minutes of the meetings of the Plan's trustees.
36. We certify that for the period from January 1, 2021 to the date of this letter, there has/have been no, except as disclosed to you:
 - Mergers related to the Plan.
 - Partial Plan termination.
 - Changes in Plan trustees or Plan Administrator.
 - Changes in service providers.
 - Additional company contributions attributable to the Plan year.
 - Changes to the contribution policy.

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37. During the course of your audits, you may have accumulated records containing data that should be reflected in our books and records. All such data have been so reflected. Accordingly, copies of such records in your possession are no longer needed by us.

George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust

DocuSigned by:

John Appicie

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John Appicie, President

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2021</u> and ending <u>12/31/2021</u>
A This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)	
☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____	
B This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)	
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ☐	
D Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ special extension (enter description) ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program	
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ☐	

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information		
1a Name of plan George Bender Incorporated 401k Profit Sharing Plan & Trust		1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>	
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) George Bender Incorporated 1 Milltown Ct Union NJ 07083		1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1997	
		2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-1711805	
		2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 908-241-8980	
		2d Business code (see instructions) 238210	

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE		<u>10/3/22</u> Date	John Appicie Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE		<u>10/3/22</u> Date	John Appicie Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE	_____ Signature of DFE	_____ Date	_____ Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor		3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name		4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year		5 140
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year.....		6a(1) 139
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2) 156
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b 0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits		6c 1
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d 157
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e 0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f 157
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g 13
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)		7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2A 2E 2J 2K 2F 2G 3D 3H 2T		
b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:		
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor		9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)		
a Pension Schedules (1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information - Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☐ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2021 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2021 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

**GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED
401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST**

FINANCIAL REPORT

**For the Year Ended
December 31, 2021**



GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED
401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Participants and Plan Administrator of
George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements (2021 financial statements).

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the 2021 financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 5 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

In our opinion, based on our audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 2021 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).
- The information in the accompanying 2021 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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Basis for Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 2021 Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued or available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if, there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 2021 financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of U.S. GAAP.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

2021 Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2021 and schedule of delinquent participant contributions for the year ended December 31, 2021 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental schedules related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Auditor's Report on the 2020 Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the 2020 financial statements of the Plan. As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the plan administrator instructed us not to perform and we did not perform any auditing procedures with respect to the information certified by a qualified institution. In our report dated September 15, 2021, we indicated that (a) because of the significance of the information that we did not audit, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion and accordingly, we did not express an opinion on the 2020 financial statements, and (b) the form and content of the information included in the 2020 financial statements other than that derived from the certified information were presented in compliance with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Inero & Co. CPAs, LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Inero & Co. CPAs, LLP
Certified Public Accountants

Rochester, New York
September 30, 2022

GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED
401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
ASSETS		
Investments, at Fair Value		
Registered Investment Companies	<u>\$ 890,328</u>	<u>\$ 751,613</u>
Non-Interest Bearing Cash	<u>3,244</u>	<u>-</u>
Receivables		
Employee Contributions	-	5,668
Employer Contributions	-	1,435
Notes Receivable from Participants	<u>24,506</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Receivables	<u>24,506</u>	<u>7,103</u>
Total Assets	918,078	758,716
LIABILITIES		
Excess Contributions Payable	<u>3,231</u>	<u>3,639</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u><u>\$ 914,847</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 755,077</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:

Investment Income

Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 67,342
Interest and Dividends	35,400

Total Investment Income	102,742
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Interest Income on Notes Receivable from Participants	133
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Contributions

Participants	59,479
Employer	20,218

Total Contributions	79,697
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Total Additions	182,572
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Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:

Benefits Paid to Participants	337
Administrative Expenses	22,465

Total Deductions	22,802
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Net Increase	159,770
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Net Assets Available for Benefits:

Beginning of Year	755,077
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End of Year	\$ 914,847
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See Notes to Financial Statements

GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED

401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

Note 1 **Description of Plan**

The following description of George Bender Incorporated 401K Profit Sharing Plan & Trust (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan available to all employees of George Bender Incorporated (the Company or Employer) who are at least 21 years of age, have completed 1,000 hours of service over a year-long period, and do not fall under the following categories: leased employees, union employees, non-resident aliens, or employees resulting from a transaction described in Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 410(b)(6)(C). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Retirement Plan Consultants LLC is the recordkeeper of the Plan. Matrix Trust Company is the Plan's custodian.

The Plan has been restated, effective January 1, 2022, to incorporate the provisions of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act).

Contributions

Participants are permitted to contribute up to 100% of their pre-tax compensation, subject to certain limitations under the terms of the Plan and the IRC. Participants may also make Roth contributions into the Plan. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans.

The Company may make discretionary matching or non-elective contributions on behalf of each eligible participant. During 2021 and 2020, the Company made discretionary matching contributions equal to 50% of employee deferrals, not to exceed 6% of eligible compensation, as defined in the adoption agreement.

Excess Contributions Payable

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Plan has recorded a liability of \$3,231 and \$3,639, respectively, for amounts refundable by the Plan to participants for contributions made in excess of amounts allowed under the IRC.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of the Employer's contribution and investment earnings (losses) and charged with withdrawals and an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is equal to the value of the participant's vested account.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

Note 1 Description of Plan - Continued

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions to the Plan. Employer contributions vest as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vested Percentage</u>
Less than 2	0%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6 or more	100%

Employer contributions made prior to October 15, 2018, are subject to a 3-year cliff vesting schedule.

Payment of Benefits

The Plan provides for normal retirement benefits in the form of lump sum distributions upon reaching the age of 65 and has provisions for disability, death and termination benefits for those participants who are eligible to receive such benefits.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$2,006 at December 31, 2021 and 2020. Forfeited balances of terminated participant's non-vested accounts are used to reduce administrative expenses and employer contributions. During 2021 and 2020, no forfeitures were used to offset employer contributions or administrative expenses.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of (a) 50% of their vested account balance; or (b) \$50,000 reduced by the excess of the highest outstanding loan balance in the previous 12 months. The loans are collateralized by no more than one half of the vested balance in the participant's account and bear interest at the Prime rate. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions. Loans are to be repaid over a period not to exceed five years.

Administrative Expenses

All expenses of administering the Plan may be paid by the Plan, unless elected to be paid by the Company.

GEORGE BENDER INCORPORATED

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

***Note 2* Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) for defined contribution plans.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance, plus accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent participant loans are reclassified as distributions based upon the terms of the Plan document.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Plan's financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan invests in investment securities which are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of risk associated with these securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in their values will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Subsequent Events

In preparing the financial statements, management has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 30, 2022, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

***Note 3* Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

***Note 3* Investment Valuation and Income Recognition - Continued**

The Plan follows the fair value measurement guidance required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for financial and nonfinancial assets and liabilities. This guidance defines fair value and provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value:

Registered Investment Companies: These investments are valued using the Net Asset Value (NAV) provided by the administrator of the fund. The NAV is based on the value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, minus its liabilities, and then divided by the number of shares outstanding. The NAV is a quoted price in an active market and classified within level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

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Note 3 Investment Valuation and Income Recognition - Continued

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments measured at fair value as of December 31:

	<u>Investments at Fair Value</u>	
	<u>Level 1</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Registered Investment Companies	<u>\$ 890,328</u>	<u>\$ 751,613</u>

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Note 4 Tax Status

The Plan has adopted a non-standardized form of a prototype plan sponsored by CCH Incorporated, DBA ftwilliam.com. The prototype plan provider has received an opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the prototype plan's qualified status dated June 30, 2020. The prototype plan opinion letter has been relied upon by the Plan. The Plan has been amended since the prototype plan received the opinion letter. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is designed and is being operated in compliance with the applicable provisions of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan Administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2021, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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Note 5 **Certified Information**

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the United States Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Matrix Trust Company, the custodian of the Plan, has certified to the completeness and accuracy of all investments reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 (excluding participant loans), the schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2021, (excluding participant loans), and the related investment activity (including interest and dividend income and net appreciation in fair value of investments) reflected in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Note 6 **Party-In-Interest Transactions**

Certain administrative functions are performed by employees of the Plan sponsor who do not receive compensation for such functions. Notes receivable from participants also qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Note 7 **Plan Termination**

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, each participant becomes 100% vested and the net assets of the Plan will be distributed as prescribed by ERISA.

Note 8 **Prohibited Transactions**

During the Plan year ended December 31, 2020, the Company failed to deposit \$4,749 of participant deferrals within the required time frame as stated by the United States Department of Labor (DOL). The DOL considers late deposits to be prohibited transactions. As such, the Plan sponsor is required to file Form 5330 and pay the applicable excise tax and lost earnings on the delinquent participant deferrals. The excise tax payments and lost earnings will be paid by the Company and not from assets of the Plan. As of the date of these financial statements, the Plan sponsor has not yet filed this form.

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Note 9 Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of Net Assets Available for Benefits according to the Form 5500 at December 31:

	2020
Net Assets Available for Benefits Per the Financial Statements	\$ 755,077
Add: Excess Contributions Payable	<u>3,639</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits Per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 758,716</u></u>

The following is a reconciliation of Net Income according to the Form 5500 at December 31:

	2021
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits Per the Financial Statements	\$ 159,770
Less: Excess Contributions Payable December 31, 2020	<u>(3,639)</u>
Net Increase Per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 156,131</u></u>

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SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2021
EIN: 22-1711805
Plan Number: 001

<u>Identity of Issue/Description of Investment</u>	<u>Current Value</u>
Non-Interest Bearing Cash	\$ 3,244
Registered Investment Companies	
DFA Five- Year Global Fixed-Income I	274,380
DFA US Large Cap Growth Institutional	209,521
DFA US Targeted Value I	82,398
DFA Inflation-Protected Securities I	80,929
DFA Large Cap International I	66,719
Vanguard Mid-Cap Growth Index Admiral	43,044
DFA US Small Cap Growth Institutional	39,464
DFA International Small Company I	36,314
DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity I	25,312
Vanguard Real Estate Index Admiral	21,796
DFA International Real Estate Securities I	8,445
Vanguard Federal Money Market Investor	2,006
Total Registered Investment Companies	890,328
* Participant Loans - Interest rate 3.25% and maturity November 2026	24,506
Total Investments	\$ 918,078

* Indicates Party-in-Interest

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**SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

EIN: 22-1711805

Plan Number: 001

Year	Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan	Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program (VFCP) and Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
		Contributions not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
2020	\$ 17,217	\$ 4,749	\$ 12,468	\$ -	\$ -