

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 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____ ☐ 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 BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
		1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2020
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) BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC ONE PIERCE PLAZA, SUITE 700W ITASCA, IL 60143	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4103407 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 630-654-1496 2d Business code (see instructions) 541990

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.	10/15/2024	CARRIE PECHOTA
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2024	CARRIE PECHOTA
	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

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	5 890
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 a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6a(1) 844 6a(2) 1030 6b 49 6c 49 6d 1128 6e 0 6f 1128 6g(1) 716 6g(2) 56 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:

2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3D

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
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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
- (4) ☐ **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) ☒ **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 2
- (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 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 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 A (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Insurance 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. ► Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4103407	

Part I	Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions	Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.A.)

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
01-0233346	65838	124135	146	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
0	15697

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
THE MANDMARBLESTONE GROUP LLC ONE RAYMOND DRIVE - SUITE 7
HAVERTOWN, PA 19083

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
	15697	TPA FORUM COMPENSATION & FEES	5

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	0
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	7343689

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶**b** Premiums paid to carrier**6b****c** Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....**6c****d** If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.**6d**

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶**f** If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)**a** Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶**b** Balance at the end of the previous year**7b****c** Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year**7c(1)**

(2) Dividends and credits

7c(2)

(3) Interest credited during the year

7c(3)

(4) Transferred from separate account.....

7c(4)

(5) Other (specify below)

7c(5)

▶

(6) Total additions.....

7c(6)**d** Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)**7d****e** Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year

7e(1)

(2) Administration charge made by carrier

7e(2)

(3) Transferred to separate account.....

7e(3)

(4) Other (specify below)

7e(4)

▶

(5) Total deductions.....

7e(5)**f** Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)**7f**

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
 b ☐ Dental
 c ☐ Vision
 d ☐ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
 f ☐ Long-term disability
 g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
 h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
 j ☐ HMO contract
 k ☐ PPO contract
 l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....	9a(2)		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.).....		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A?..... ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	001
BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN		
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	D Employer Identification Number (EIN)	
BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC	82-4103407	

Part I	Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions	Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier

VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
71-0294708	86231	81E277	420	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
0	

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION 4707 EXECUTIVE DRIVE
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0	0	INVESTMENT ADVISORY FEE	3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

COMPLETE BENEFIT SOLUTIONS LLC ONE CARANDO DRIVE
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
	0	TPA PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM	3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	757140
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	11543336

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶**b** Premiums paid to carrier**6b****c** Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....**6c****d** If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.**6d**

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶**f** If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)**a** Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☒ other ▶**b** Balance at the end of the previous year**7b**

1244933

c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year**7c(1)**

135985

(2) Dividends and credits

7c(2)

0

(3) Interest credited during the year

7c(3)

14092

(4) Transferred from separate account.....

7c(4)

(5) Other (specify below)

7c(5)

3314

(6) Total additions.....

7c(6)

153391

d Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)**7d**

1398324

e Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year

7e(1)

354585

(2) Administration charge made by carrier

7e(2)

307

(3) Transferred to separate account.....

7e(3)

281865

(4) Other (specify below)

7e(4)

4427

(5) Total deductions.....

7e(5)

641184

f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)**7f**

757140

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
b ☐ Dental
c ☐ Vision
d ☐ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
f ☐ Long-term disability
g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
j ☐ HMO contract
k ☐ PPO contract
l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....	9a(2)		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.).....		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan 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 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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A Name of plan <u>BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>82-4103407</u>	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AMERICAN FUNDS AMER MUTUAL</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>170274</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AMERICAN FUNDS CAP INC BLD</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>193655</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AB LARGE CAP GRW FUND Z</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>104</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AMERICAN FUNDS EUROPACIFIC</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>448393</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>ALLSPG SPEC MDCP VI FD R6</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>43202</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AMERICAN FUNDS NEW PRSPCTV</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>1668</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>DFA INT'L-PROT SEC PORT INS</u>				
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIEMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY</u>				
c EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>203126</u>		

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FIDELITY MID CAP IDX		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 345307

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: INV GOLD & SPEC MIN FD		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 103981

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JP MORGAN EQUITY INC FD		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 28408

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JP MORGAN INT'L EQUITY FUND		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 517687

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JP MORGAN LGCP GRW FD		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1618637

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MID CAP GROWTH FD		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 72287

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PGIM HIGH YIELD FD		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 419857

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD EM MKTS STK IND FD ADM		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPAN		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 33902

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: COHEN & STEERS REAL EST S FD Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 112233

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2307223

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JP MORGAN US EQUITY FUND R6			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 243360	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGRD MATERIALS INDEX FD ADM			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 76569	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD SMALL-CAP INDEX FUND ADM			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 237692	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD SMALL-CAP VI INDEX FD ADM			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 88460	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA FIXED ACCOUNT			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 757140	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA GV MNY MKT F A (HLD ACCT)			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 6421	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTIONS 2025 P Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 318047	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTIONS 2030 P Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 860699	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTIONS 2035 P Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 271068	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTIONS 2040 P Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 975445	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2045 P Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 358526

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2050 P Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 128916

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2055 P Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 206299

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2060 P Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 48457

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION 2065 P Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 13005

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INDEX SOLUTION INC P Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 737193

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA INTERMEDIATE BOND FUND R6		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 282709

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VOYA SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND R6		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 71-0294708-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 70535

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: JOHN HANCOCK POOLED SEPARATE ACCOUN		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK USA		
c EIN-PN 01-0233346-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 7343689

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

a Plan name**b** Name of
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plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN

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
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4103407	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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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		1134
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	6627	
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(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)		393915
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		18887025
(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)	1239059	2406301
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		757140
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(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	1245686	22445515
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	30	2008
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	30	2008
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	1245656	22443507

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.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	309248	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	522290	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	132969	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		964507
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(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)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	305002	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		305002
(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)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(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)		
(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)		

		(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)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1269509

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	109157	
(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)		109157
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	1715	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		1715
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		110872

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		1158637
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		20039214
(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: **PLANTE & MORAN, PLLC**

(2) EIN: **38-1357951**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG 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. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
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.)	☒	☐	6627
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.)	☐	☒	
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.)	☐	☒	
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.)	☐	☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒	☐	500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	☐	☒	
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?	☐	☒	
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?	☐	☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒	☐	
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.)	☐	☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	☐	☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	☐	☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	☐	☒	
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.	☐	☐	

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 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BROWN & JOSEPH, LLC		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4103407
Part I	Distributions	
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): 82-4103407		
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.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
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	
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		
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.	
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) 2023 v. 230707		

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (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 _____

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): _____

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
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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) and (b):	
a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%	
b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: ☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more	
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. _____	

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).	
☒ Design-based safe harbor method	
☐ "Prior year" ADP test	
☐ "Current year" ADP test	
☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q703729A</u> .	

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year

Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i

EIN 82-4103407, Plan No. 001

December 31, 2023

(a)(b) Identity of Issuer	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
Mutual funds:			
John Hancock Trust Company LLC	Vanguard Fed Money Market	*	\$ 82,718
	The Bond Fund of America R6	*	46,401
	Amer Target 2025 Fund R6	*	134,335
	Amer Target 2030 Fund R6	*	205,353
	Amer Target 2035 Fund R6	*	282,958
	Amer Target 2040 Fund R6	*	192,305
	Amer Target 2045 Fund R6	*	145,088
	Amer Target 2050 Fund R6	*	138,005
	Amer Target 2055 Fund R6	*	264,101
	Amer Target 2060 Fund R6	*	93,174
	American Funds 2065 TD Ret R6	*	8,836
	Fidelity 500 Index Fd Adm	*	289,705
	Vanguard Growth Index Fd Adm	*	414,329
	Vanguard Sm Cap Index Fd Amd	*	63,496
	Fidelity International Idx Fd	*	45,497
Pooled separate accounts:			
John Hancock Life Insurance Company (U.S.A.)	John Hancock Stable Value	*	266,132
	American Balanced Fund	*	162,922
	Vanguard Value Index Fund	*	162,877
	New Perspective Fund	*	407,581
	Blue Chip Growth Fund	*	260,616
	500 Index Fund	*	1,184,395
	Vanguard Small Cap Value Index	*	84,837
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	*	88,092
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	*	213,280
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	*	480,642
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	*	799,962
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	*	956,208
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	*	439,801
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	*	706,604
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	*	312,441
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	*	119,197
	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	*	15,119
	MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund	*	110,118
	MFS Mid Cap Value Fund	*	150,279
	Mid Cap Index Fund	*	50,742
	Small Cap Index Fund	*	69,076
	Vanguard Small Cap Grow Index	*	16,279
	Vanguard Total International Bond Index Fund	*	8,114
	Lord Abbett Bond Debenture Fund	*	252,340
	Total Bond Market Fund	*	8,064
	JPMorgan Equity Income Fund	*	3,068
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065 Fund	*	14,903
	American Funds EuroPacific Grw R6	*	448,394

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year (Continued)

Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i

EIN 82-4103407, Plan No. 001

December 31, 2023

(a)(b) Identity of Issuer	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Pooled separate accounts:		
VOYA Retirement Services	American Funds New Perspective R6	*	\$ 1,668
	American Funds Cap Inc Builder R6	*	193,655
	Cohen & Steers Real Estate S Fd	*	112,223
	JPMorgan Int'l Equity Fund R6	*	517,687
	Vanguard Emr Mkts Stck Ind Fund	*	33,902
	Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund	*	237,692
	Vanguard Small Cap Val Index Fund	*	88,460
	Inv Gold & Spec Min Fund R6	*	103,981
	Vanguard Materials Index Fund	*	76,569
	MFS Mid-Cap Growth Fund R6	*	72,287
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	*	2,307,223
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index Fund	*	345,307
	JPMorgan Large-Cap Growth Fund R6	*	1,618,637
	American Funds Amer Mutual R6	*	170,274
	JPMorgan Equity Income Fund R6	*	28,408
	JPMorgan US Equity Fund R6	*	243,360
	Voya Index Solution 2025 Portfolio	*	318,047
	Voya Index Solution 2030 Portfolio	*	860,699
	Voya Index Solution 2035 Portfolio	*	271,068
	Voya Index Solution 2040 Portfolio	*	975,445
	Voya Index Solution 2045 Portfolio	*	358,526
	Voya Index Solution 2050 Portfolio	*	128,916
	Voya Index Solution 2055 Portfolio	*	206,299
	Voya Index Solution 2060 Portfolio	*	48,457
	Voya Index Solution 2065 Portfolio	*	13,005
	Voya Index Solution Income Portfolio	*	737,193
	DFA Inflat Prot Securities Port Inst	*	203,126
	AB Large Cap Growth Fund Z	*	104
	Allspg Spec MidCap VI Fund R6	*	43,202
	Voya Small Cap Growth Fund R6	*	70,535
	Voya Intennediate Bond Fund	*	282,709
	PGIM High Yield Fund R6	*	419,857
	Voya Gov Money Market Fund	*	6,421
VOYA Retirement Services	Guaranteed investment contract - Voya Fixed Account	*	757,140
Participants	Participant notes receivable with interest rates ranging from 4.25 to 9.50 percent	-	393,915
	Total		<u>\$ 22,444,381</u>

*Cost information not required

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan**Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions****Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4a****EIN 82-4103407, Plan No. 001****Year Ended December 31, 2023**

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total that Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included: ☐	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
2021	\$ -	\$ 6,627	\$ -	\$ -

Schedule H, Line 4

Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions

For the Plan Year Beginning 01/01/2023 and Ending 12/31/2023

Name of Plan: Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Employer Identification Number: 82-4103407 Three-digit plan number: 001

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Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Financial Report
December 31, 2023

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator
Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audits

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan (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, 2023 and 2022 and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023 and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has 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 (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 certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023 stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 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 (GAAP).
- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by qualified institutions agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institutions that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits 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 Audits of the 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.

Emphasis of Matter

As explained in Note 7 to the financial statements, the Altus Receivables Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan and NEIS, Inc. 401(k) Plan was merged into the Plan effective December 31, 2023. Our opinion has not been modified with respect to this matter.

To the Plan Administrator
Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with 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 that may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the *Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audits* 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 audits 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 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 audits in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- 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 audits 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 audits did not extend to the certified investment information except for obtaining and reading the certifications, 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 GAAP.

Accordingly, the objective of the 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 GAAP.

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

To the Plan Administrator
Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets held at end of year as of December 31, 2023 and delinquent participant contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplemental 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 qualified institutions agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by institutions that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Plante & Moran, PLLC

Southfield, Michigan
October 15, 2024

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan**Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits**

	December 31, 2023 and 2022	
	2023	2022
Assets		
Participant-directed investments at fair value:		
Mutual funds	\$ 2,406,301	\$ 1,239,059
Pooled separate accounts	18,887,025	-
Total participant-directed investments at fair value	21,293,326	1,239,059
Participant-directed investments at contract value (Note 6)	757,140	-
Total participant-directed investments	22,050,466	1,239,059
Contributions receivable	-	6,627
Participant notes receivable	393,915	-
Cash - Non-interest bearing	1,134	-
Total assets	22,445,515	1,245,686
Liabilities - Other payables	2,008	30
Net Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 22,443,507	\$ 1,245,656

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits****Year Ended December 31, 2023****Additions**

Contributions:

Employee	\$ 522,290
Employer	309,248
Rollovers	<u>132,969</u>

Total contributions 964,507

Investment income:

Dividends	74,568
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	<u>230,434</u>

Total investment income 305,002

Total additions 1,269,509

Deductions

Benefits paid directly to participants or beneficiaries	109,157
Administrative expenses	<u>1,715</u>

Total deductions 110,872

Net Increase before Other Changes 1,158,637

Transfers In (Note 7) 20,039,214

Net Increase 21,197,851

Net Assets Available for Benefits

Beginning of year 1,245,656

End of year \$ 22,443,507

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2023 and 2022

Note 1 - Plan Description

The following description of Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all full-time employees of Brown & Joseph, LLC (the "Company") who have completed 60 days of service and are age 18 or older. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Effective December 31, 2023, NEIS LLC, Altus Receivables Management, Inc., Amalgamated Credit Bureau Inc., Subrogation AS LLC, Second Look AS LLC, and P&C Subrogation Services LLC joined the Plan as new participating employers.

Contributions

The Plan provides for employee salary deferral contributions up to a maximum of 100 percent of annual compensation subject to maximum tax-deferred limitations established by the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan allows participants to contribute on an after-tax basis. Participants may also make contributions to the Plan in the form of a rollover of funds from another qualified plan. Certain participant contributions in 2021 were paid after the time frame required by the Department of Labor. The Company remitted these contributions as well as lost earnings in 2023.

The Plan provides for safe harbor employer matching contributions of 100 percent of the first 3 percent of the employee's deferred compensation, plus 50 percent of employees' of the next 2 percent of employee's deferred compensation. There are no employer discretionary contributions.

Participant Notes Receivable

Participants may borrow from their accounts subject to certain maximum and minimum amounts prescribed in the Plan and in the Internal Revenue Code. Notes receivable bear interest at a market rate.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of the Company's contributions and plan earnings and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participants' compensation or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. Participants may direct the investments of their account balances into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Vesting

Participants are immediately 100 percent vested in employee salary and rollover contributions and any income or loss thereon. Participants are also 100 percent vested in all safe harbor employer matching contributions and any income or loss thereon.

The Company's discretionary contributions, if any, vest according to the following schedule:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting Percentage</u>
Less than 2	- %
2 but less than 3	20
3 but less than 4	40
4 but less than 5	60
5 but less than 6	80
6 or more	100

Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2023 and 2022

Note 1 - Plan Description (Continued)

Benefit Payments

Distributions are payable upon retirement, death, disability, termination of employment, or attainment of 59½ years of age in the form of a lump-sum amount equal to the vested balance of a participant's account.

Participants may request that all or a portion of their accounts be distributed in the case of financial hardship, as defined in the plan document.

Forfeitures

If a participant is not fully vested on his or her termination date, the nonvested amount of the account is forfeited. Forfeitures are used to reduce future company contributions or to pay administrative expenses of the Plan.

Party-in-interest Transactions

Certain plan assets are in investment funds managed by Capital Bank and Trust Company, Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company, John Hancock Life Insurance Company (U.S.A.), and John Hancock Trust Company LLC or its affiliates. Capital Bank and Trust Company, Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company, and John Hancock Trust Company LLC are the custodians of the Plan; therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions, as defined under ERISA guidelines.

Termination

While it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in the plan agreement and ERISA. Upon termination of the Plan, participants become 100 percent vested in their account balances.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Investment Valuation

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value, except as noted below. The fully benefit-responsive unallocated contract is valued at contract value. Contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents deposits made to the contract, plus earnings at guaranteed crediting rates, less withdrawals and fees.

The pooled separate accounts are valued at net asset value per share (NAV) (or its equivalent) of the funds, which is based on the fair value of the funds' underlying net assets. There are no redemption restrictions or unfunded commitments on these investments. All other investments are valued based on quoted market prices reported in active markets. See Note 5 for additional information.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded as earned. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Participant Notes Receivable

Participant notes receivable are recorded at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued interest. Participant notes receivable are written off when deemed uncollectible.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

December 31, 2023 and 2022

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Administrative Expenses

Various administrative costs are paid by the Company.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Subsequent Events

The financial statements and related disclosures include evaluation of events up through and including October 15, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Effective January 1, 2024, the plan name changed from Brown & Joseph, LLC 401(k) Retirement Plan to ARMStrong 401(k) Plan. Subsequent to year end, effective January 31, 2024, Paragon Asset Recovery Services 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan was merged into the Plan.

Note 3 - Certified Information

In 2023, the Plan changed its custodian from Capital Bank and Trust Company to John Hancock Trust Company LLC. John Hancock Life Insurance Company (U.S.A.) and Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company were the custodians of the merged in assets (Note 7). Capital Bank and Trust Company, John Hancock Trust Company LLC, John Hancock Life Insurance Company (U.S.A.), and Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company are collectively the "Custodians". The Custodians held the Plan's investments and participant notes receivable and executed all related transactions during the periods under audit. The investment and participant notes receivable balances and related income and losses included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule of assets held at end of year are based solely on information certified by the Custodians.

Note 4 - Tax Status

The Plan uses a preapproved plan. The preapproved plan has received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) indicating that the Plan, as designed, is qualified for federal income tax-exempt status. The Plan has not individually sought its own determination letter.

Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements

Accounting standards require certain assets and liabilities be reported at fair value in the financial statements and provide a framework for establishing that fair value. The framework for determining fair value is based on a hierarchy that prioritizes the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value.

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Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 1

Fair values determined by Level 1 inputs use quoted prices in active markets for identical assets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2

Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs use other inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly. These Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset.

Level 3

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs, including inputs that are available in situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the related asset.

In instances where inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, fair value measurements in their entirety are categorized based on the lowest level input that is significant to the valuation. The Plan's assessment of the significance of particular inputs to these fair value measurements requires judgment and considers factors specific to each asset.

The following tables present information about the Plan's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at December 31, 2023				
	Investments (at Fair Value)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mutual funds	\$ 2,406,301	\$ 2,406,301	\$ -	\$ -
Investments measured at NAV -				
Pooled separate account:				
Equity investments (1)	9,093,861			
Fixed-income investments (2)	1,180,631			
Real estate investments (3)	112,223			
Stable value investment (4)	266,132			
Retirement year-based				
investments (5)	8,063,904			
Asset allocation funds (6)	170,274			
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 21,293,326</u>			

Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at December 31, 2022				
	Investments (at Fair Value)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mutual funds	\$ 1,239,059	\$ 1,239,059	\$ -	\$ -
(1)	This class represents investments in actively managed pooled separate accounts that invest primarily in equity securities, which may include common stocks, options, and futures.			
(2)	This class represents investments in actively managed pooled separate accounts that invest in a variety of fixed-income investments, which may include corporate bonds, both U.S. and non-U.S. municipal securities, interest rate swaps, options, and futures.			

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Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

- (3) This class represents investments in actively managed pooled separate accounts with investments in real estate. The investments may include real estate property or real estate investment trusts.
- (4) This class represents investments in actively managed common pooled separate accounts that invest primarily in fixed-income common collective trust funds that invest in investment contracts, which may include corporate bonds, both U.S. and non-U.S. municipal securities, and wrapper contracts.
- (5) This class represents investments in actively managed pooled separate accounts with investments in both equity and debt securities. The investments may include common stock, corporate bonds, U.S. and non-U.S. municipal securities, interest rate swaps, options, and futures.
- (6) This class represents investments in actively managed pooled separate accounts that invest primarily in equity securities to seek current income and capital appreciation based on the investment approach.

Note 6 - Investment Contract

The Plan has a benefit-responsive investment contract with Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company (Voya). Voya maintains the contributions in a general account. The account is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The guaranteed insurance contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. There are no reserves against contract value for credit risk of the contract issue or otherwise.

Interest is credited on contract balances using a single portfolio rate approach. Under this methodology, a single interest rate is applied to all contributions made to the product, regardless of the timing of those contributions. Interest crediting rates are reviewed on a semiannual basis for resetting but may not be less than 1.00 percent. When establishing interest crediting rates for this product, Voya considers many factors, including current economic and market conditions, the general interest rate environment, and both the expected and actual experience of a reference portfolio within the issuer's general account.

Generally, there are no events that could limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value paid within 90 days or, in rare circumstances, contract value paid over time. There are no events that allow the issuer to terminate the contract and that require the plan sponsor to settle an amount different than contract value paid either within 90 days or over time.

Note 7 - Plan Merger

On December 31, 2023, the Altus Receivables Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan and NEIS, Inc. 401(k) Plan, plans sponsored by the Company, was merged with the Plan. Altus Receivables Management, Inc. 401(k) Plan transferred in \$7,587,805 and NEIS, Inc. 401(k) Plan transferred in \$12,451,409. Accordingly, assets of approximately \$20,039,214 were transferred into the Plan in 2024.