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

2024

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

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.)
- [X] 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:
- [X] 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
A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2018

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)
A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

700 KING FARM BLVD.
SUITE 300
ROCKVILLE, MD 20850

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 52-0728302

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 301-881-2545

2d Business code (see instructions) 541330

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.	10/01/2025	RICHARD KHALIL
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	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 [X] 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**	581
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)**	519
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	478
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	2
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	48
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	528
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	2
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	530
g(1)	Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	485
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	527
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.	**6h**	29
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:

2I 2P 2Q 3I

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)** [X] 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)** [X] 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)** [X] **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)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [ ] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
- **(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 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 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 H
(Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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Financial Information

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OMB No. 1210-0110

2024

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A Name of plan
A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
52-0728302

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	1	1
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	174	183
(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)		
(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)		
(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)	44450000	48350000
(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	44450175	48350184
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	28700107	27881676
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	28700107	27881676
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	15750068	20468508

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)	2217792	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(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)		2217792
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	9	
(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)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		9
(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)		0
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)	3900000	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		3900000

		(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		6117801
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	446785	
(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)		446785
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		952576
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(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)		0
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		1399361
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		4718440
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) [X] 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)** [X] 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: BDO USA, P.C. **(2)** EIN: 13-5381590

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.)	4a		X	
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?	4e	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	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?	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?	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.)	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.)	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?	4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	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 [X] 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)

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Retirement Plan Information

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A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
52-0728302

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): 58-1428634

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

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):

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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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) 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

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 ___/___/_____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number_____.

A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Financial Statements
and ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedule
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023
and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

The report accompanying these financial statements was issued by BDO USA, P.C., a Virginia professional corporation, and the U.S. member of BDO International Limited, a UK company limited by guarantee.

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Independent Auditor's Report

ESOP Trustee
A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
Rockville, Maryland

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

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 Audit 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 audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 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.

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 available to be issued.

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Management is responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments. Management is also responsible for 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 Financial Statements

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.

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 Matter - Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental Schedule H, Line 4(i) – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor'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 has been subjected to the 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 to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying supplemental schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

BDO USA, P.C.

McLean, Virginia
September 29, 2025

Financial Statements

A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.
Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

	December 31, 2024			*December 31, 2023*		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 184	$ -	$ 184	$ 175	$ -	$ 175
Investment in A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Common Stock (1,000,000 shares as of December 31, 2024 and 2023)	10,875,447	37,474,553	48,350,000	8,475,182	35,974,818	44,450,000
Total assets	10,875,631	37,474,553	48,350,184	8,475,357	35,974,818	44,450,175
Liabilities						
Note payable	-	27,881,676	27,881,676	-	28,700,107	28,700,107
Total liabilities	-	27,881,676	27,881,676	-	28,700,107	28,700,107
Net assets available for benefits	$ 10,875,631	$ 9,592,877	$ 20,468,508	$ 8,475,357	$ 7,274,711	$ 15,750,068

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.
Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

Year Ended December 31, 2024	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Additions:			
Company contributions	$ 446,785	$ 1,771,007	$ 2,217,792
Other income	9	-	9
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	743,605	3,156,395	3,900,000
Allocation of 34,264 shares of Company common stock, at fair value	1,656,660	-	1,656,660
Total additions	2,847,059	4,927,402	7,774,461
Deductions:			
Distributions to participants	446,785	-	446,785
Interest expense	-	952,576	952,576
Allocation of 34,264 shares of Company common stock	-	1,656,660	1,656,660
Total deductions	446,785	2,609,236	3,056,021
Net increase	2,400,274	2,318,166	4,718,440
Net assets available for benefits:			
Beginning of the year	8,475,357	7,274,711	15,750,068
End of the year	$ 10,875,631	$ 9,592,877	$ 20,468,508

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

1. Plan Description

The following description of the A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document and any amendments thereto for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. (the Company) established the A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan or the ESOP) effective January 1, 2018. The Plan operates as a leveraged employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) and is designed to comply with Section 4975(e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (IRC) and is subject to the applicable provisions of ERISA. The Plan is administered by an ESOP Trustee consisting of one or more individuals appointed by the Company's Board of Directors. The Company appointed Robert E. Lesser as the Trustee to oversee the Plan and related Trust.

On December 7, 2018, the ESOP purchased 1,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock, pursuant to the ESOP Loan Agreement between the Company and the independent trustee of the ESOP, by issuing a promissory note payable to the Company (see Note 5). The ESOP holds the Company's common stock in a trust established under the Plan. As the Plan makes debt payments, an appropriate percentage of the stock will be allocated to eligible employees' accounts in accordance with applicable regulations under the IRC. The borrowing is collateralized by the unallocated shares of stock. The Company has no rights against shares of Company common stock once they are allocated to participants in accordance with the terms of the ESOP. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Plan as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to:

- The accounts of participants with vested and un-vested rights in allocated shares of Company common stock (allocated); and

- Shares of Company common stock not yet allocated to participants (unallocated)

Eligibility

Employees of the Company, excluding union, non-resident alien, and leased employees, who were either employed on the effective date of the Plan or were hired after the effective date and have completed at least 1,000 hours of service during the year are eligible to become participants of the Plan on the entry date immediately preceding satisfaction of the eligibility requirements. Participants who do not complete 1,000 hours of service during such Plan year are generally not eligible for an allocation of Company contributions for such year.

Contributions

Each year, the Company may make a contribution to the Plan in an amount as determined by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company. The Company may make contributions to the Plan in cash or Company common stock.

The Company is obligated to make contributions to the Plan which, when aggregated with the Plan's dividends, equal the amount necessary to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest due under its term loan to the Company and discharge its current obligations. Employee contributions are not permitted.

Payments of Benefits

Distributions on account of death, disability, or retirement are made in accordance with the provisions, within one year after the close of the Plan year following the year of separation of service. Distributions for any other separation from employment are made in accordance with the provisions, within five years after the close of the Plan year following the year of separation of service. The amount to be distributed is based on the fair value determined as of the most recent valuation date.

Distribution of balances credited to a participant's account are made in a lump sum payment or by payment in a series of substantially equal annual, or more frequent installments, over a period not to exceed five years. However, the period over which installments are made may be extended by one year for each $220,000 or fraction thereof when the balance credited to the Participant's account exceeds $1,105,000. The period over which installments may be paid may not extend by more than four years.

A participant whose account balance exceeds $5,000 may elect to defer their distribution of benefits. In the absence of a distribution election by a participant whose vested account balance exceeds $5,000, no portion of the participant account may be distributed until the participant attains the latter of normal retirement age or age 62 without written consent. Under the provisions of the Plan, the Company is obligated to repurchase participant shares, which have been distributed under the terms of the Plan if the shares are not publicly traded or if the shares are subject to trading limitations.

Voting Rights

A participant has the right to direct the Trustee regarding the voting of shares, which are not part of a registration-type class of securities as defined in IRC Section 409(e)(3), allocated to his or her account with respect to any corporate matter which involves the approval or disapproval of any corporate merger or consolidation, recapitalization, reclassification, liquidation, dissolution, sale of substantially all assets of a trade or business, or such similar transaction as the Department of Treasury may prescribe in its Regulations. For other Company matters requiring a vote of the shareholders, the ESOP Trustee will properly vote the shares held in the participants' accounts. For any shares held in an unallocated account, the ESOP Trustee will properly vote such shares for or against any proposal. The Trustee is not permitted to vote any allocated share for which instructions have not been given by a participant.

Participant Accounts

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which a separate individual account is established for each participant. Each participant's account is credited as of the last day of each Plan year with an allocation of shares of the Company's common stock, cash, income and appreciation on general accounts, income, dividends, and appreciation / depreciation in value of the Company's

common stock, and forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts. Only those participants who are eligible employees of the Company as of the last day of the Plan year will receive an allocation. Allocations are based on a participant's eligible compensation, relative to total eligible compensation. Plan earnings are allocated to each participant's account based on the ratio of the participant's account balance. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Forfeitures

Plan forfeitures are allocated to each participant's account based upon the relation of the participant's eligible compensation to total eligible compensation for the Plan year. For the year ended December 31, 2024, allocated forfeitures totaled $124,931.

Vesting

A Participant's vesting in his or her account is based on the participant's years of credited service. An employee is credited with one year of service for each Plan year during which he or she works 1,000 hours. Vesting is earned as follows:

Years of Service	Vested Interest
Less than 2	0%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6	100%

If a Participant's employment with the Company is terminated because the participant retires, becomes disabled, or dies, the balances in the participant's account as of the date coincident with or next following the settlement date shall become 100% vested.

If a Participant who is not 100% vested terminates employment with the Company and then returns to employment with the Company prior to incurring five consecutive one-year breaks in service, the Participant's account shall cease to be subject to forfeiture arising from his or her earlier termination of employment.

Put Option

Under federal income tax regulations, the Company common stock that is held by the Plan and its participants and is not readily tradable on an established market, or is subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand that the Company buy any shares of its common stock distributed to participants for which there is no market during two option periods. The first put option shall be for at least sixty days commencing on the date of distribution. The second put option period runs for a period of at least sixty days commencing on the first day after the new determination of the fair market value of the Company common stock in the subsequent Plan year.

The put price is representative of the current appraised value of the stock. If the Company exercises an option to purchase a participant's shares, the Plan must make a payment in a lump sum or, if the distribution to the participant constitutes a distribution of the participant's full account balance, in substantially equal installments over a period not to exceed five years. The purpose of the put option is to ensure that the participant has the ability to ultimately obtain cash.

Diversification

Diversification is offered to participants close to retirement so that they may have the opportunity to move part of the value of their investment in Company stock into investments that are more diversified. Participants who are at least age 55 and have at least 10 years of participation in the Plan, may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a 6-year period. In each of the first 5 years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of the number of post-1986 shares allocated to his or her account, less any shares previously diversified. In the sixth year, the percentage changes to 50%. The election to diversify is made subsequent to year-end based upon the shares of employer stock in the participant's account at year-end.

Administrative Expenses

As provided in the Plan agreement, fees and expenses may be paid either by the Plan or by the Company. Generally, the Company pays for the operating expenses of the Plan. Expenses paid by the Company are excluded from the Plan's financial statements.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires the Plan's 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 estimated amounts.

A significant estimate used in the preparation of these financial statements is the valuation of the A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. common stock, which is recorded at its fair value for which the ultimate realization of the investments is based upon future economic factors related to the investment.

For the aforementioned estimate, it is reasonably possible that the recorded amounts or related disclosures could significantly change in the near future as new information is available about the

value of A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. common stock which represents a significant investment of the Plan.

Allocations

The financial statements of the Plan present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to (a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated stock (allocated) and (b) stock not yet allocated to employees (unallocated), including shares that are committed to be released. Shares are released from collateral and become allocated generally in the period in which debt service is actually paid.

Cash Equivalents

The Plan considers all highly liquid instruments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Company's common stock is valued at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, as determined by an annual independent appraisal. The fair value was determined based on the Company's earnings capacity capitalized at appropriate risk adjusted rates. See Note 5 for further information related to fair value measurements.

Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are reported on the average cost method. Net appreciation or depreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

3. Administration of Plan Assets

The Plan's assets, which consist principally of the Company common stock shares, are held by the Trustee of the Plan.

The Company's contributions are held and managed by the Trustee, and the Trustee makes distributions to participants. The Trustee also administers the payment of interest and principal on the loan, which is reimbursed to the Trustee through contributions as determined by the Company.

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officers or employees receive compensation from the Plan.

4. Investments

The Plan investments, as of December 31, are presented in the following table:

December 31,	**2024**	2023
Allocated shares	**190,668**	156,403
Shares released for allocation	**34,264**	34,265
Unreleased shares	**775,068**	809,332
Total ESOP Shares	**1,000,000**	1,000,000
Cost of Shares	**$ 33,351,924**	$ 33,351,924
Fair Value of Unreleased Shares	**37,474,538**	35,974,807

5. Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value 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) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 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 maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31:

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024			
		Fair Value Hierarchy Level		
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Common stock				
A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.	$ 48,350,000	$ -	$ -	$ 48,350,000
Total assets at fair value	$ 48,350,000	$ -	$ -	$ 48,350,000

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023			
		Fair Value Hierarchy Level		
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Common stock				
A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.	$ 44,450,000	$ -	$ -	$ 44,450,000
Total assets at fair value	$ 44,450,000	$ -	$ -	$ 44,450,000

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Investments in A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. common stock are valued by an annual independent appraisal. In approaching the valuation, a variety of factors are taken into consideration, including:

a. the nature and history of the business, its current position, and its outlook;

b. the general and relevant economic conditions prevailing at the time of the appraisal; and

c. the current conditions and outlook in the market in which the subject company competes.

The approach in determining fair value of the Company common stock involves the following:

- Determine estimated fair value of shares of Company common stock using the Guideline Company Method. This valuation analysis is a technique that determines a value based on a direct comparison of the subject company to publicly traded companies.

- Determine estimated fair value of shares of Company common stock using the Discounted Cash Flow Method. The Discounted Cash Flow Method values a company based on projected cash flows.

The significant unobservable inputs for the preceding methods include EBITDA, weighted average cost of capital, discount rate and discount for lack of marketability for the discounted cash flow method and public comparable, revenue multiple, EBITDA multiple and discount for lack of marketability for the guideline company method.

The valuation process involves the Trustee's selection of an independent appraiser who is under contract for a term of one year. Plan management accumulates the data from the reviewed financial statements of the Company. The appraiser prepares a preliminary report which Plan management, along with the Trustee of the Plan, reviews in detail and discusses and approves.

Policies and procedures are reassessed at least annually to determine if the current valuation techniques are still appropriate. At that time, the unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurements are evaluated and adjusted, as necessary, based on current market conditions and other third-party information.

The preceding method described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although 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.

Changes in Fair Value of Level 3 Assets

There were no transfers, purchases or distributions of the Plan's level 3 assets for the years ended December 31, 2024 or 2023.

6. Note Payable

The Company entered into a Purchase Agreement on December 7, 2018, to purchase 1,000,000 shares of common stock from the shareholders of the Company, for and on behalf of the Plan. The purchase price for the shares was $33.35 per share for an aggregate purchase price of $33,351,924. To finance the stock purchase, the Company obtained term loans from a bank and with the former shareholders on behalf of the Plan.

The Plan entered into a $33,351,924 term loan agreement with the Company, a party-in-interest and related party. The proceeds of the loan were used to purchase the Company's 1,000,000 shares of common stock. Unallocated shares are collateral for the loan. Shares are released from collateral and allocated to participants as payments of principal and interest are made. The number of shares released in any year is the number of shares held as collateral, multiplied by the ratio of the current year payments divided by the total of this year's payments, plus all future years' principal and interest payments.

The agreement provides for the loan to be repaid over 31 years in equal annual payments of principal and interest of $1,771,007, beginning December 2018, with the first and final payments pro-rated for the actual proportion of the year in which loan principal is outstanding. The loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 3.31% for the full term of the loan.

The scheduled amortization for the loan for the next five years and thereafter is as follows at December 31, 2024:

Years Ending December 31,	
2025	$ 848,121
2026	876,194
2027	905,196
2028	932,868
2029	966,036
Thereafter	23,353,261
	$ 27,881,676

7. Tax Status

The IRS has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated April 23, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan Administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and therefore believe that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

U.S. GAAP requires the Plan's management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

8. Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan's investments consist entirely of the Company's common stock, which is exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings, cash flows and/or other such techniques. Due to the level of risk associated with the investment in the common stock and to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of the Company common stock will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

9. Related Party and Party-in-Interest Transactions

The Plan's assets, which consist principally of the Company's common stock, are held by the Trustee of the Plan. Since the Company is the Plan sponsor, transactions involving the Company's common stock qualify as related party and party-in-interest transactions. As described in Note 1, the Company pays all Plan expenses. The Plan has a number of service providers. Such providers are parties-in-interest under ERISA. All such transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules under ERISA. Diversification payments also qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

10. Plan Termination

The Company reserves the right to terminate the Plan at any time, subject to Plan provisions. Upon such termination of the Plan, the interest of each participant in the Trust fund will be distributed to such participant or his or her beneficiary at the time prescribed by the Plan terms and the IRC.

11. Subsequent Events

The Plan Administrator has evaluated subsequent events through September 29, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Plan Administrator is not aware of any subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedule

A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.
Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Schedule H, Line 4(i) – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

EIN: 52-0728302
Plan Number: 003

December 31, 2024

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, and Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.	Common stock – 1,000,000 shares	$ 33,351,924	$ 48,350,000
				$ 48,350,000

*Party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

Schedule H, Line 4i
Schedule of Assets (Held At End of Year)

Name of Plan: A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

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Employer Identification Number:►

For plan year (beginning/ending):► Jan 1, 2024 - Dec 31, 2024 Plan number:► 003

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
*	A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.	Common stock - 1,000,000.0000 shares	33,351,924	48,350,000
*	Party-in-interest			