

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.

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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: PUBLIC STRATEGIES RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/2009
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): PUBLIC STRATEGIES, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 73-1355962
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 405-848-2171
2d Business code (see instructions): 541910

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.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and DFE.

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor DEFINITI 3 HOLLAND ST ERIE, PA 16507	3b Administrator's EIN 85-0833363 3c Administrator's telephone number 866-497-5501
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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
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	325
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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)	266
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	330
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	58
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d	388
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e	0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	388
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)	300
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)	342
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h	

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	
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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 2S

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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> 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 1
- (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 _____

<p>SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Insurance Information</p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p>2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p>A Name of plan PUBLIC STRATEGIES RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001</p>	
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PUBLIC STRATEGIES, INC.</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 73-1355962</p>	

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.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE 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
01-0233346	65838	168375	415	12/06/2024	12/31/2024

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 0	(b) Total amount of fees paid 150
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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
DEFINITI 3 HOLLAND ST ERIE, PA 16507

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0	150	TPA FEES	5

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

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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	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	12466010

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)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	0
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	0
e Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
	(5) Total deductions	7e(5)
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	0

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)	0
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)	0
	(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)	0
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> 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 C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PUBLIC STRATEGIES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 73-1355962	

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... Yes No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 25 27 60 64	NONE	87645	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15	RECORDKEEPER	156	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

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

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	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 <hr/> 2024 <hr/> This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>PUBLIC STRATEGIES, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>73-1355962</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>AB SUSTAINABLE GLOBAL THEMATIC</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>7943</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AMERICAN FUNDS EUROPAC GROWTH</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>96382</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>COHEN & STEERS REAL ESTATE</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>78741</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>DFA U.S. SMALL CAP FUND</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>7616</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>FIDELITY ADVISOR TOTAL BOND</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>8633</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>HARBOR CAPITAL APPRECIATION</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>25968</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>MONEY MARKET FUND</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>01-0233346-000</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>50644</u>

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PGIM JENNISON MID CAP GROWTH		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 3418
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD EXPLORER FUND		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 58102
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD MID-CAP VALUE ETF		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 56037
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2020		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 81049
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2025		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 2418233
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2030		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 1301411
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2035		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 1739510
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2040		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 750878
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2045		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 1491467
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RET 2050		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
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) 1456913

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **VANGUARD TARGET RET 2055**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

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)	1051029
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **VANGUARD TARGET RET 2060**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

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)	468851
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **VANGUARD TARGET RET 2065**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

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)	345994
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **VANGUARD TARGET RET INCOME**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

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)	92250
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **VANGUARD TOTAL INTL STOCK IDX**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

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)	95127
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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)	
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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)	
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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)	
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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)	
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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)	
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan PUBLIC STRATEGIES RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PUBLIC STRATEGIES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 73-1355962

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.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	0	6664
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(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)	465384	0
(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)	110305	108048
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	0	12466010
(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)	9790846	2987
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(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	10366535	12583709
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j	0	19753
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	0	19753
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	10366535	12563956

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)	605965	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	906240	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	149237	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		1661442
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)	8155	
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		8155
(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)	1561942
(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	0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d	3231539

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:		
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	922348
(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)	922348
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f	19753
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)	150
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	6716
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	82551
(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)	2600
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)	92017
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j	1034118

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k	2197421
l Transfers of assets:		
(1) To this plan	2l(1)	
(2) From this plan	2l(2)	

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **FINLEY & COOK, PLLC**

(2) EIN: **73-0604334**

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.)		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.)		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.)		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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		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?		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	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.	X		

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) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A Name of plan <u>PUBLIC STRATEGIES RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>PUBLIC STRATEGIES, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>73-1355962</u>	

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

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....

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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): 45-6062081 01-0233346

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.....

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Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?..... 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
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box..... Increase Decrease Both No

Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... Yes No

11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?..... Yes No

b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)..... Yes No

12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?..... Yes No

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: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> 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. <input type="checkbox"/> 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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703214A.

Public Strategies Retirement Security Partnership Plan

Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023
(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

**PUBLIC STRATEGIES
RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Note: All other schedules required by the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 have been omitted because they are not applicable.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors, Plan Trustees, and
Plan Administrator of
the Public Strategies Retirement Security Partnership Plan

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of the Public Strategies Retirement Security Partnership 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 statements of net assets available for plan benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan’s financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits 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 Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (“qualified institution”).

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors’ Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section—

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT, CONTINUED

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' 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 audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, 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 for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit 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 auditors' 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT, CONTINUED

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements, Continued

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

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

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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT, CONTINUED


Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedule H, Line 4i—Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024, 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 included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule 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 schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, 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 form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Finley & Cook, PLLC".

Shawnee, Oklahoma
October 6, 2025

**PUBLIC STRATEGIES
RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN**

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS

<i>December 31,</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>
Assets		
Cash, non-interest-bearing	\$ 6,664	-
Money market account	-	465,384
Investments, at fair value	12,468,997	9,790,846
Receivables:		
Notes receivable from participants	108,048	110,305
Total receivables	<u>108,048</u>	<u>110,305</u>
 Total assets	 <u>12,583,709</u>	 <u>10,366,535</u>
Liabilities		
Excess contributions payable	<u>19,753</u>	-
Total liabilities	<u>19,753</u>	-
 Net assets available for plan benefits	 <u>\$ 12,563,956</u>	 <u>10,366,535</u>

See Independent Auditors' Report.
See accompanying notes to financial statements.

PUBLIC STRATEGIES
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS

Year Ended December 31, 2024

Additions to net assets attributed to:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 1,561,942
Total investment income	<u>1,561,942</u>

Contributions:

Participants' contributions	906,240
Employer's contributions—matching	605,965
Rollover contributions	<u>149,237</u>
Total contributions	<u>1,661,442</u>

Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>8,155</u>
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Total additions	<u>3,231,539</u>
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Deductions in net assets attributed to:

Distributions to participants	922,348
Corrective distributions	19,753
Fees	<u>92,017</u>

Total deductions	<u>1,034,118</u>
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Net increase in net assets available for plan benefits	2,197,421
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Net assets available for plan benefits:

Beginning of year	<u>10,366,535</u>
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End of year	<u><u>\$ 12,563,956</u></u>
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See Independent Auditors' Report.
See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**PUBLIC STRATEGIES
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2024 and 2023

(1) DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following brief description of the Public Strategies Retirement Security Partnership Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions. John Hancock Life Insurance Company, U.S.A. (“John Hancock”) is the custodian of the Plan.

General and Eligibility

The Plan is a volume submitter defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of Public Strategies, Inc. (the “Company”) who are at least 18 years of age and have completed a 60-day period of service, with commencement date the first day of the month following the satisfaction of the eligibility conditions. Collective bargaining employees, leased employees, other reclassified employees, nonresident aliens, and residents of Puerto Rico are not eligible to participate in the Plan. The Plan was adopted as of January 1, 2009, and restated effective December 1, 2024. The Plan is designed to provide for a deferred compensation arrangement of the type described in Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”), as amended. The purpose of the Plan is to provide retirement benefits and permit employees to systematically save a portion of their compensation and defer federal income taxes on that portion. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). All of the Plan’s investment fund options are participant-directed.

Contributions

The Company, at its discretion, may elect to make a cash contribution to the account of each participant. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company matched 100% of up to 5% of an employee’s elected deferrals of total compensation, as defined in the Plan. To receive a discretionary match contribution, the employee must have completed 1,000 hours of service in the plan year. The Company makes contributions to the Plan for selected participants that perform work that is covered by federal prevailing wage laws. Any such contributions are based upon the hourly contribution rate designated by the participant’s employment classification and the project at which the work was performed. The Plan permits participants to make pre-tax and Roth deferrals up to the limits established by the Code of the participant’s eligible compensation, as defined, and allows “rollover” contributions from other qualified plans.

Eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan with a 3% pre-tax deferral rate. Eligible employees who do not wish to participate in the Plan may affirmatively elect to opt out, or they may elect a different deferral percentage.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN, CONTINUED

Participant Accounts/Investment Options

Separate participant accounts are maintained for each fund in which the participants elect to invest. Participants' accounts are credited with participants' contributions, the Company's contributions, or plan earnings. Participant amounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined in the Plan document. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested balance. Investments are directed, at the discretion of the participant, into any of the different investment funds offered by John Hancock.

Vesting

Participants are at all times 100% vested in their contributions and the earnings thereof. Participants are proportionally vested in employer contributions and earnings based upon years of service, defined as follows:

Less than 1 year	0%
1 year	20%
2 years	40%
3 years	60%
4 years	80%
5 years or more	100%

The participants must complete at least 1,000 hours of service during a plan year to receive vested credit. In the event of death or termination due to disability, the participant becomes 100% vested in the employer matching contributions. Participants are 100% vested in prevailing wage contributions at the time of the contribution.

Notes Receivable from Participants

The Plan permits participants to borrow against their plan account a minimum of \$1,000 or up to a maximum of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested balance, whichever is less. A participant may only have two loans outstanding at any time. The loans bear interest at a fixed rate of 1% above the prime interest rate as published in the "Money Rates" section of *The Wall Street Journal*. The loans are payable no less frequently than quarterly and are secured by an irrevocable pledge and assignment of 50% of the participant's vested account balance under the Plan. Principal and interest are paid through payroll deduction and credited to the participant's account. Upon termination of the employment with the employer or termination of the Plan, if not otherwise due and payable, the loans are due and payable. If the loans are not fully repaid within 60 days following the termination date, the loan will be reported as a taxable distribution to the participant.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN, CONTINUED

Distributions

Upon retirement, termination, disability, or death, a participant, or his or her beneficiary in the event of death, may elect to receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account or installments in the event of required minimum distributions. In the event of death or disability, participants become 100% vested in the Company's contributions. Additionally, participants may take in-service distributions upon reaching age 59½. Upon termination, automatic distributions are required for balances of less than \$5,000. Automatic distributions above \$1,000 made without the participant's consent are rolled into an individual retirement account. The Plan allows hardship withdrawals, subject to account balance limits and applicable laws.

As of December 31, 2024, there were no unpaid vested benefits to participants who had requested withdrawal of their account.

Forfeitures

Employer contributions and earnings thereon which become forfeited as a result of any of the benefit payment or withdrawal provisions of the Plan shall be used to pay reasonable plan expenses, and any excess shall be used to reduce the contribution of the employer for the year in which the forfeitures occur. As of December 31, 2024, there were no unallocated forfeitures in the Plan. As of December 31, 2023, there was approximately \$2,000 of unallocated forfeitures in the Plan.

Administrative Costs

All reasonable expenses for administration of the Plan may be paid out of the Plan's assets unless paid by the Company. In addition, fees are assessed on employee-directed transactions within the Plan and are netted against earnings in the individual's account.

Plan Termination

Although 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 of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their accounts.

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**PUBLIC STRATEGIES
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are recorded at estimated fair value, based on quoted market prices of the underlying investments or quoted market prices for investments similar to the underlying investments included in the respective fund. Plan management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by John Hancock. See Note 4 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

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

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are reported at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2024 or 2023. Delinquent notes receivable from participants are recorded as a distribution based upon the terms of the plan agreement.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

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**PUBLIC STRATEGIES
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED

Tax Status

The Plan is a non-standardized, pre-approved plan offered through the Plan's third-party administrator. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has determined and informed the Plan's third-party administrator by a letter dated June 30, 2020, that the pre-approved plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Code. Although the Plan has been amended since the date of the IRS determination, the plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities. The plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits in progress for any tax periods. The plan administrator believes the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2021.

Date of Management's Review of Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through October 6, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that no subsequent events have occurred that require adjustment to or disclosure in the financial statements.

(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. In estimating fair value, the Plan utilizes valuation techniques that are consistent with the market approach, the income approach, and/or the cost approach. Such valuation techniques are consistently applied. Inputs to valuation techniques include the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. Fair values may not represent actual values of assets and liabilities that could have been realized on the measurement date or that will be realized in the future. The use of different market assumptions and/or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts.

See Independent Auditors' Report.

(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, CONTINUED

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurement," establishes a fair value hierarchy for valuation inputs that gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs. The fair value hierarchy is as follows:

- Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset and liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 inputs consist of unobservable inputs which are used when observable inputs are unavailable and reflect an entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the assets or liabilities.

The Plan uses appropriate valuation methods based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its assets and liabilities.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying statements of net assets available for plan benefits, as well as the general classification of such assets pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

Pooled Separate Accounts

Stated at fair value as determined by the issuer of the pooled separate accounts based on the fair market value of the underlying investments, which is valued at the net asset value (NAV) as a practical expedient to estimate fair value rather than valued using inputs according to the fair value hierarchy. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. Were the Plan to initiate a full redemption of the pooled separate accounts, John Hancock reserves the right to temporarily delay withdrawal from the funds in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

Mutual Funds

The fair values of mutual funds are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges.

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(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, CONTINUED

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 method is appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of a different methodology or assumption to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth the fair value of the Plan’s investments by category within the fair value hierarchy, if applicable, as of December 31, 2024:

	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using			
	Assets Measured at Fair Value	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Investments included in fair value hierarchy:				
Mutual funds	\$ 2,987	2,987	-	-

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share as a practical expedient as of December 31, 2024.

<u>Investments</u>	Fair Value as of December 31, 2024	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency (if currently eligible)	Redemption Notice Period
Pooled separate accounts:				
Asset allocation target date	\$ 12,218,612	n/a	Daily	n/a
Aggressive growth	64,510	n/a	Daily	n/a
Conservative	2,236	n/a	Daily	n/a
Income	3,915	n/a	Daily	n/a
Growth	176,737	n/a	Daily	n/a
Total investments measured at NAV	\$ 12,466,010			

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, CONTINUED

The following table sets forth the fair value of the Plan’s investments by category within the fair value hierarchy, if applicable, as of December 31, 2023:

	Assets Measured at <u>Fair Value</u>	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets <u>(Level 1)</u>	Significant Other Observable Inputs <u>(Level 2)</u>	Significant Unobservable Inputs <u>(Level 3)</u>
Investments included in fair value hierarchy:				
Mutual funds	\$ 9,790,846	9,790,846	-	-

(4) INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY PLAN CUSTODIAN

Effective December 6, 2024, the Plan’s custodian changed from Alerus Financial, N.A. (“Alerus”) to John Hancock. The plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, the custodian has certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate.

Information Certified by John Hancock

- Investments and notes receivable from participants as shown in the statement of net assets available for plan benefits as of December 31, 2024.
- Investment activity (net appreciation in fair value of investments) and interest income on notes receivable for participants as shown in the statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the period December 6, 2024, through December 31, 2024.
- Schedule H, line 4i—Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024, as shown on the supplemental schedule.

The Plan’s independent auditors did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and the supplemental schedule.

See Independent Auditors’ Report.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(4) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, CONTINUED

Information Certified by Alerus

- Investments and notes receivable from participants as shown in the statement of net assets available for plan benefits as of December 31, 2023.
- Investment activity (net appreciation in fair value of investments) and interest income on notes receivable for participants as shown in the statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the period January 1, 2024, through December 6, 2024.

(5) RELATED-PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers and employees of the Company. No officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan for these services. The Company does not expect reimbursement from the Plan for these services.

The investments were managed by Alerus and John Hancock. The Plan also holds notes receivable from participants. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Certain fees incurred by the Plan are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments, as they are paid through revenue sharing rather than a direct payment. The Plan also made direct payments to service providers, which were not covered by revenue sharing.

(6) RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Plan participants may invest in various types of 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 change could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for plan benefits.

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**Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i—
Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**

December 31, 2024

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Pooled separate accounts				
*	John Hancock	American Funds EUPAC Fund	\$ N/A	7,724
*	John Hancock	AB Sustainable Global Thematic	N/A	2,439
*	John Hancock	Cohen & Steers Real Estate	N/A	10,535
*	John Hancock	DFA U.S. Small Cap Fund	N/A	5,709
*	John Hancock	PGIM Jennison Mid Cap Growth	N/A	3,207
*	John Hancock	Harbor Capital Appreciation	N/A	24,216
*	John Hancock	500 Index Fund	N/A	163,459
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Explorer Fund	N/A	1,045
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Mid-Cap Value ETF	N/A	17,359
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020	N/A	74,716
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025	N/A	2,629,609
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030	N/A	1,079,617
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035	N/A	2,477,076
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040	N/A	927,189
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045	N/A	2,012,652
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050	N/A	1,275,600
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055	N/A	932,694
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060	N/A	423,171
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065	N/A	300,170
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Target Retirement Income	N/A	86,118
*	John Hancock	Money Market Fund	N/A	2,236
*	John Hancock	Fidelity Advisor Total Bond	N/A	3,915
*	John Hancock	Vanguard Total International Stock Index	N/A	5,554
Subtotal of pooled separate accounts			N/A	12,466,010
Mutual funds				
	Calvert Bond	Mutual fund	N/A	2
	Vanguard Total Bond Index Admiral Fund	Mutual fund	N/A	2,900
	Cohen & Steers Realty Fund	Mutual fund	N/A	85
Subtotal of mutual funds			N/A	2,987

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December 31, 2024

(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
Notes receivable from participants				
*	Notes receivable from participants	Notes receivable from participants, interest at 4.25% to 9.5%, maturity dates from April 2025 to November 2029, secured by participant accounts.	-	108,048
Subtotal of notes receivable from participants			-	108,048

TOTAL \$ - 12,577,045

N/A—Participant-directed

*—Indicates a party-in-interest

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RETIREMENT SECURITY PARTNERSHIP PLAN**

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Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**

December 31, 2024

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	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Pooled separate accounts				
*	John Hancock	American Funds EUPAC Fund	\$ N/A	7,724
*	John Hancock	AB Sustainable Global Thematic	N/A	2,439
*	John Hancock	Cohen & Steers Real Estate	N/A	10,535
*	John Hancock	DFA U.S. Small Cap Fund	N/A	5,709
*	John Hancock	PGIM Jennison Mid Cap Growth	N/A	3,207
*	John Hancock	Harbor Capital Appreciation	N/A	24,216
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Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i—
Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), Continued

December 31, 2024

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	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	Cost	Current value
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Subtotal of notes receivable from participants			-	108,048

TOTAL \$ - 12,577,045

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