

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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.

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, a single-employer plan, a DFE, etc.
B This return/report is: the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report, etc.
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.
D Check box if filing under: Form 5558, automatic extension, special extension, the DFVC program, etc.
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: HERBERT J SIMS 401(K) PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 002
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/1995
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): HERBERT J SIMS & CO. INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 13-5213180
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 203-418-9000
2d Business code (see instructions): 523120

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 plan administrator, employer/plan sponsor, and DFE.

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<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN	
	<b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number	
<b>4</b> 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: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN	
	<b>4d</b> PN	
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	141
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	<b>6a(1)</b>	114
	<b>6a(2)</b>	111
	<b>6b</b>	13
	<b>6c</b>	27
	<b>6d</b>	151
	<b>6e</b>	0
	<b>6f</b>	151
	<b>6g(1)</b>	124
<b>6g(2)</b>	131	
<b>6h</b>	0	
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
2E 2J 2K 2F 2G 2R 3D 3H

**b** If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

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

**10** Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

<b>a Pension Schedules</b>	<b>b General Schedules</b>
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>H</b> (Financial Information)
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MB</b> (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>I</b> (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>1</u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
	(6) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>G</b> (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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**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.

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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<p><b>SCHEDULE A</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b></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><b>Insurance Information</b></p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b></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><b>2024</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p><b>A</b> Name of plan <b>HERBERT J SIMS 401(K) PLAN</b></p>	<p><b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p><b>002</b></p>
<p><b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>HERBERT J SIMS &amp; CO. INC.</b></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>13-5213180</b></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  
**VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY CO**

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
71-0294708	86509	862191	120	01/01/2024	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.

<p>(a) Total amount of commissions paid <b>3130</b></p>	<p>(b) Total amount of fees paid <b>0</b></p>
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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  
**AMERICAN PORTFOLIOS FIN SVCS INC**  
**4TH FLOOR EAST**  
**4250 VETERANS MEMOR**  
**HOLBROOK, NY 11741**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
2856	0	SERVICES TO INSURER OR PLAN	4

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid  
**OSAIC WEALTH INC**  
**18700 N HAYDEN RD STE 255**  
**SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
274	0	SERVICES TO INSURER OR PLAN	7

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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Investment and Annuity Contract Information</b>	
	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.	
<b>4</b>	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end .....	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	<b>5</b> <span style="float: right;">17043799</span>
<b>6</b>	<b>Contracts With Allocated Funds:</b>	
<b>a</b>	State the basis of premium rates ▶	
<b>b</b>	Premiums paid to carrier .....	<b>6b</b>
<b>c</b>	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year .....	<b>6c</b>
<b>d</b>	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. .... Specify nature of costs ▶	<b>6d</b>
<b>e</b>	Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> individual policies                      (2) <input type="checkbox"/> group deferred annuity (3) <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) ▶	
<b>f</b>	If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)</b>	
<b>a</b>	Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> deposit administration                      (2) <input type="checkbox"/> immediate participation guarantee (3) <input type="checkbox"/> guaranteed investment                      (4) <input type="checkbox"/> other ▶	
<b>b</b>	Balance at the end of the previous year .....	<b>7b</b> <span style="float: right;">2017465</span>
<b>c</b>	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....	<b>7c(1)</b> <span style="float: right;">77068</span>
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	<b>7c(2)</b> <span style="float: right;">0</span>
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	<b>7c(3)</b> <span style="float: right;">23877</span>
	(4) Transferred from separate account .....	<b>7c(4)</b> <span style="float: right;">415216</span>
	(5) Other (specify below)..... ▶ LOAN REPAYMENTS, POSITIVE VALUE ADJ. COL. INT. EARNED, TRANS FROM 1 VOYA CONTRACT TO ANOTHER,	<b>7c(5)</b> <span style="float: right;">1785</span>
	(6) Total additions .....	<b>7c(6)</b> <span style="float: right;">517946</span>
<b>d</b>	Total of balance and additions (add lines <b>7b</b> and <b>7c(6)</b> ) .....	<b>7d</b> <span style="float: right;">2535411</span>
<b>e</b>	<b>Deductions:</b>	
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year .....	<b>7e(1)</b> <span style="float: right;">1394652</span>
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	<b>7e(2)</b> <span style="float: right;">6795</span>
	(3) Transferred to separate account .....	<b>7e(3)</b> <span style="float: right;">0</span>
	(4) Other (specify below)..... ▶ LOAN DISBURSEMENTS, NEG. VALUE ADJ., FEES PAID TO TPA, TRANSF. FROM ONE VOYA CONTRACT TO ANOTHER	<b>7e(4)</b> <span style="float: right;">105</span>
(5) Total deductions .....	<b>7e(5)</b> <span style="float: right;">1401552</span>	
<b>f</b>	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line <b>7e(5)</b> from line <b>7d</b> ).....	<b>7f</b> <span style="float: right;">1133859</span>

**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:

<b>a</b>	Premiums: (1) Amount received .....	<b>9a(1)</b>		
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid .....	<b>9a(2)</b>		
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve .....	<b>9a(3)</b>		
	(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)) .....		<b>9a(4)</b>	0
<b>b</b>	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid .....	<b>9b(1)</b>		
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves .....	<b>9b(2)</b>		
	(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)) .....		<b>9b(3)</b>	0
	(4) Claims charged .....		<b>9b(4)</b>	
<b>c</b>	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
	(A) Commissions .....	<b>9c(1)(A)</b>		
	(B) Administrative service or other fees .....	<b>9c(1)(B)</b>		
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs .....	<b>9c(1)(C)</b>		
	(D) Other expenses .....	<b>9c(1)(D)</b>		
	(E) Taxes .....	<b>9c(1)(E)</b>		
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies .....	<b>9c(1)(F)</b>		
	(G) Other retention charges .....	<b>9c(1)(G)</b>		
	(H) Total retention .....		<b>9c(1)(H)</b>	0
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.) .....		<b>9c(2)</b>	
<b>d</b>	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement .....		<b>9d(1)</b>	
	(2) Claim reserves .....		<b>9d(2)</b>	
	(3) Other reserves .....		<b>9d(3)</b>	
<b>e</b>	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).) .....		<b>9e</b>	

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

<b>a</b>	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....	<b>10a</b>	
<b>b</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. .... Specify nature of costs.	<b>10b</b>	

**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. ▶

<b>SCHEDULE C</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Service Provider Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>HERBERT J SIMS &amp; CO. INC.</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>13-5213180</b>	

**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?
33 71 55	BROKER/DEALER	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	29570	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" 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?
33 71 55	TPA	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8602	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" 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.

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

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

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

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Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE D</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>HERBERT J SIMS &amp; CO. INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-5213180</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>SEPARATE ACCOUNT D</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VOYA RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>71-0294708-000</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>17043799</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
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<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
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<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)



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

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

**a** Plan name

**b** Name of plan sponsor

**c** EIN-PN

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<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  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).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Asset and Liability Statement</b>
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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
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>		
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	0	0
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	0	0
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>		
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	2554216	2258598
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	4839533	5313707
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	139026	138043
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	2644261	3552284
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>		
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>		
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>		
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	81262	92064
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>		
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	15579314	17043799
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>		
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>		
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	301129	338561
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>	2017465	1133859
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>	324061	274939

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	28480267	30145854
<b>Liabilities</b>			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	0	0
<b>Net Assets</b>			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	28480267	30145854

**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.

<b>Income</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	155668	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	1466894	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	335502	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2).....	2a(3)		1958064
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	0	
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	3990	
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F).....	2b(1)(G)		3990
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)	0	
(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 .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		2598461
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		1315753
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		5876268

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	4139596	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		4139596
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>	65735	
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>	4678	
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	127	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>		
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>		
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>	545	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		71085
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		4210681

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		1665587
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		

**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: **APRIO LLP**

(2) EIN: **57-1157523**

**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
<b>a</b> 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		152015
<b>b</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	
<b>c</b> 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	
<b>d</b> 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	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		500000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> 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		11876132
<b>h</b> 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	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>j</b> 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	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

<b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)	<b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>5b(3)</b> 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  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).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Distributions</b>
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**All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.**

<b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	<b>1</b>	<u>0</u>
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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): 22-1211670

**Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.**

<b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....	<b>3</b>	
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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (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.**

<b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....	<b>6a</b>	
<b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b> 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).....	<b>6c</b>	

**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

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Amendments</b>
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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

<b>Part IV</b>	<b>ESOPs</b> (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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

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**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

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(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:

<b>a</b> 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).....	<b>14a</b>	
<b>b</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).....	<b>14b</b>	
<b>c</b> 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).....	<b>14c</b>	

**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:

<b>a</b> The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....	<b>15a</b>	
<b>b</b> The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....	<b>15b</b>	

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

<b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....	<b>16a</b>	
<b>b</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.....	<b>16b</b>	

**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 Q703912A.

**HERBERT J SIMS 401(K) PLAN  
(F/K/A HERBERT J. SIMS & CO., INC. 401(K) SAVINGS & RETIREMENT  
PLAN)**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**

# HERBERT J SIMS 401(K) PLAN

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator of the  
Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan  
Fairfield, CT

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Herbert J Sims 401(k) 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 benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of Herbert J Sims 401(k) 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 a qualified institution 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 I 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 of America.
- 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).

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

## **Responsibilities of Management for the 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 of America, 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 Herbert J Sims 401(k) 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.

## **Auditor's 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.

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 Herbert J Sims 401(k) 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 Herbert J Sims 401(k) 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 of America.

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 of America.

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

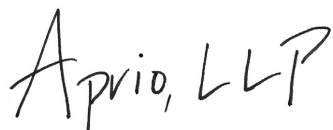
## Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of Assets Held at End of Year and Delinquent Participant Contributions as of or for the year ended December 31, 2024, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are 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 schedules, 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 schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aprivo, LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Atlanta, Georgia  
October 13, 2025

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits December 31, 2024 and 2023

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	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Investments:		
At fair value	\$ 28,919,932	\$ 26,381,540
At contract value	<u>1,133,859</u>	<u>2,017,465</u>
Total investments	<u>30,053,791</u>	<u>28,399,005</u>
Receivables:		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>92,064</u>	<u>81,262</u>
Total receivables	<u>92,064</u>	<u>81,262</u>
Total assets	<u>30,145,855</u>	<u>28,480,267</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 30,145,855</u>	<u>\$ 28,480,267</u>

See independent auditors' report and accompanying notes to the financial statements.

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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Additions:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 2,962,164
Interest and dividends	<u>952,049</u>

Net investment income	<u>3,914,213</u>
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Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>3,990</u>
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Contributions:

Participants	1,466,894
Employer	155,670
Rollovers	<u>335,502</u>

Total contributions	<u>1,958,066</u>
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Total additions	<u>5,876,269</u>
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Deductions:

Benefits paid to participants	(4,139,596)
Administrative expenses	<u>(71,085)</u>

Total deductions	<u>(4,210,681)</u>
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Net increase in net assets available for benefits	1,665,588
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Net assets available for benefits:

Beginning of year	<u>28,480,267</u>
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End of year	<u>\$ 30,145,855</u>
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See independent auditors' report and accompanying notes to the financial statements.

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### Note A

##### Description of Plan

The following description of the Herbert J. Sims & Co., Inc 401(k) Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

##### General

The Plan was established by Herbert J. Sims & Co., Inc. under an adoption agreement dated January 1, 1995. The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all full-time employees of Herbert J. Sims & Co., Inc., Sims Mortgage Funding, Inc., HJS Advisors, Inc. and Herbert J. Sims Capital Management, Inc. (collectively the “Company”), except for residents of Puerto Rico and temporary employees whose regularly scheduled service is less than 1,000 hours. Employees are eligible to participate upon attainment of age 21 and 30 days of service. Effective January 1, 2024, the Plan was amended to permit participants to enter the Plan as of each payroll period. Prior to this amendment, participants were eligible to enter the Plan only on the first day of each calendar quarter. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

The board of directors of Herbert J. Sims & Co., Inc. are responsible for the administration of the Plan and determine the appropriateness of the Plan’s investment offerings, as well as monitor investment performance.

On April 1, 2022, Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America (“EAICA”), formerly known as Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Company, the parent company of Empower Retirement, LLC (“Empower”) acquired the full-service retirement business of Prudential Financial, Inc. In connection with the transaction, Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company and Prudential Bank & Trust, FSB were acquired by Empower. On October 3, 2022, Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company was renamed Empower Annuity Insurance Company. Effective March 31, 2023, Prudential Bank & Trust, FSB merged into Empower Trust Company, LLC, an Empower affiliate, and all services performed by Prudential Bank & Trust, FSB will be assumed by Empower Trust Company, LLC.

On September 25, 2023, the Plan changed trustees and transferred Plan assets from Empower Trust Company, LLC to Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company.

##### Amendments

Effective January 1, 2024, due to the change in trustees and recordkeeper in 2023, the Plan was amended and restated to adopt the non-standardized pre-approved Profit Sharing Plan with CODA sponsored by CCH Incorporated DBA FTWilliam Com. As part of this amendment and restatement, the entry date was modified to each pay period and the Plan name was changed from Herbert J. Sims & Co., Inc. 401(k) Savings & Retirement Plan to the Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan.

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### Note A

#### Description of Plan (Continued)

##### Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute up to 100 percent of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan, and in any combination of before-tax and after-tax (Roth) contribution. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified retirement plans (rollovers). Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions.

The Company may elect to make discretionary matching contributions. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company elected to match 25 percent of participant's contributions if the participant contributed less than 4 percent of their wages. The Company elected to match 1 percent of participant's contributions if the participant contributed 4 percent or more. Additionally, the Company may make an optional discretionary non-elective contribution. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company did not make discretionary non-elective contributions.

Participants direct the investments of their contributions as well as Company contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. Contributions are subject to certain limitations prescribed by the Internal Revenue Code.

##### Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and company matching contributions, as well as allocations of Plan earnings (losses). Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

##### Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts plus actual earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of credited service for the Company's matching contribution portion of their accounts. A participant is 100% vested after six years of credited service for the Company's discretionary non-elective portion of their accounts.

##### Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000, up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at the Prime Rate, as stated in the Wall Street Journal. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions, on an after tax-basis, and must be repaid within 5 years. If the loan is taken for the purchase of a primary residence, the loan must be repaid within 15 years.

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### Note A

##### Description of Plan (Continued)

###### Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, retirement (age 65) or early retirement (age 55 and 6 years of service), a participant or their beneficiary may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested account balance or a single sum of a portion of the participant's vested account balance. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of their vested account balance as a lump-sum distribution or a rollover distribution. Hardship withdrawals are permitted by the Plan and shall be made from the vested portion of the participant's account balance.

###### Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$668 and \$80, respectively. These forfeitures may be used to offset the Plan's administrative costs or to reduce future employer's matching contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2024, forfeitures reduced the Company's discretionary matching contributions by \$3,860.

#### Note B

##### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

###### Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Investments in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the net assets available for the benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

###### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### Note B

#### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

##### Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value (except for fully-benefit responsive contracts, which is reported at contract value). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers, custodians and other third-party service providers. See Note C for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Net appreciation (depreciation) 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 measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded. Delinquent notes receivable from participants are recorded as a distribution based upon the terms of the plan document.

##### Contributions

Participant contributions and the related Company matching contributions are recognized in the period the participant contribution is withheld from compensation.

##### Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

##### Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

## Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### Note B

##### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

###### Subsequent Events

Effective July 1, 2025, the Plan was amended to permit participants to take in-service withdrawals upon attainment of age 59½. In addition, the Plan was amended to allow participants to elect to receive distributions in either cash or in-kind form.

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 13, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### Note C

##### Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC) 820 are described as follows:

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

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Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
  - quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
  - inputs on other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Level 2** – inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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#### Note C

#### Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

**Pooled Separate Accounts:** Valued at their accumulation unit value (AUV). The separate account is valued daily as the number of accumulation units held multiplied by the AUV. The AUV is first established when a new fund starts (typically the beginning AUV is \$10) and is then determined daily based on the net asset value of shares of the underlying fund, the fund's dividends and the contract's separate account charges. Due to the nature of the pooled separate accounts discussed above, there are no unfunded commitments or redemption restrictions. The Plan offers a variety of pooled separate accounts across different investment categories, including large-cap equity, small- and mid-cap equity, international equity, bonds, balanced, and asset allocation funds. The investment objectives of these accounts are generally designed to achieve one or more of the following:

- **Capital Appreciation:** Several funds, particularly those classified as small/mid/specialty, large-cap growth, and international/global equity, seek long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities.
- **Income and Total Return:** Bond and balanced funds seek to provide current income, capital preservation, and total return through a mix of fixed income securities and equities, with some strategies specifically designed to protect against inflation or maximize total return consistent with prudent investment management.
- **Index Tracking:** Certain funds, including U.S. large-cap, mid-cap, small-cap, and international index funds, seek to replicate the performance of a designated market index, such as the S&P 500, CRSP indices, or Bloomberg U.S. Government/Credit Float Adjusted Index.
- **Asset Allocation / Target-Date Strategies:** The Plan also provides MyCompass series funds, which are asset allocation strategies designed to provide long-term investors with diversified exposure across asset classes. These funds are tailored to varying risk tolerances and investment horizons, with objectives ranging from conservative to aggressive growth.

Overall, the pooled separate accounts are intended to provide participants with a diversified range of investment options spanning growth, income, and balanced strategies to meet varying risk tolerances and retirement savings goals.

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#### Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

**Self-directed brokerage accounts:** The self-directed accounts hold money market funds, corporate bonds, corporate bonds - private placements, insured deposits, mutual funds, corporate common stocks, unit investment trusts, municipal bonds, preferred stocks, and limited partnerships. The following is a description of the Plan's valuation methodologies used for the self-directed brokerage accounts:

- *Money market:* Valued at cost which approximates fair value.
- *Corporate bonds:* Valued using observable inputs, such as observable trade prices, multiple broker/dealer quotes, related yield curves and other assumptions about the securities.
- *Corporate bonds - private placements:* Valued using unobservable inputs, such as discount rates, long-term revenue growth rates, operating margins, cap rates and other assumptions about the securities.
- *Insured deposits:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the bank. The insured deposits program is a sweep cash account covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The insured deposits held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.
- *Mutual funds:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the SEC. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.
- *Corporate common stocks and unit investment trusts:* Valued at quoted market prices as of the last trading day of the year.
- *Municipal bonds:* Valued using observable inputs, such as observable credit quality, prevailing interest rates for bonds generally and similar bonds more specifically.
- *Preferred stocks:* Preferred and convertible securities are valued at quoted market prices as of the last trading day of the year.
- *Limited partnerships:* The fair value is based on the Plan's ownership percentage of the fair value of the underlying investments as provided by the partnership. The investments in limited partnerships are valued using the net asset value ("NAV") per share (or its equivalent, such as member units or ownership interests) as a practical expedient. NAV is calculated by the partnership based on the fair value of the underlying assets, less liabilities, and is intended to represent the exit price at which the Plan could sell its investment.

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#### Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

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

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

<b>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024</b>				
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Self-directed brokerage accounts	\$ <u>6,379,956</u>	\$ <u>2,167,627</u>	\$ <u>3,146,080</u>	\$ <u>11,693,663</u>
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ <u>6,379,956</u>	\$ <u>2,167,627</u>	\$ <u>3,146,080</u>	11,693,663
Total assets measured at NAV or AUV (a)				<u>17,226,269</u>
Total assets at fair value				\$ <u>28,919,932</u>

<b>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023</b>				
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Self-directed brokerage accounts	\$ <u>5,708,049</u>	\$ <u>1,876,868</u>	\$ <u>2,962,665</u>	\$ <u>10,547,582</u>
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ <u>5,708,049</u>	\$ <u>1,876,868</u>	\$ <u>2,962,665</u>	10,547,582
Total assets measured at NAV or AUV (a)				<u>15,833,958</u>
Total assets at fair value				\$ <u>26,381,540</u>

(a) In accordance with ASC 820-10, certain investments that were measured at NAV or AUV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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#### Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

##### Quantitative Information Regarding Internally-Priced Level 3 Assets

The tables below present quantitative information on significant internally-priced Level 3 assets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>Fair Value at 12/31/2024</u>	<u>Valuation Technique(s)</u>	<u>Unobservable Inputs</u>	<u>Range (Weighted Average)</u>
Corporate bonds - private placement: healthcare	\$ 3,146,080	Discounted cash flows	Discount rates Long-Term Revenue Growth Rate Operating Margins Cap Rates	10% - 25% (17.5%) 2% - 3% (2.5%) 12% - 45% (28.5%) 6% - 13% (9.5%)

	<u>Fair Value at 12/31/2023</u>	<u>Valuation Technique(s)</u>	<u>Unobservable Inputs</u>	<u>Range (Weighted Average)</u>
Corporate bonds - private placement: healthcare	\$ 2,962,665	Discounted cash flows	Discount rates Long-Term Revenue Growth Rate Operating Margins Cap Rates	10% - 25% (17.5%) 2% - 3% (2.5%) 12% - 45% (28.5%) 6% - 13% (9.5%)

#### Changes in Level 3 Assets

The following table describes changes in fair values of Level 3 assets as of the dates indicated, as well as the portion of gains or losses included in income attributable to unrealized gains or losses related to those assets still held at the end of their respective periods. When a determination is made to classify assets within Level 3, the determination is based on significance of the unobservable inputs in the overall fair value measurement. All transfers are based on changes in the observability of the valuation inputs, including the availability of pricing service information that the Plan can validate. Transfers into Level 3 are generally the result of unobservable inputs utilized within valuation methodologies and the use of indicative broker quotes for assets that were previously valued using observable inputs. Transfers out of Level 3 are generally due to the use of observable inputs in valuation methodologies as well as the availability of pricing service information for certain assets that the Plan can validate.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u>	
	<u>Direct venture capital investments</u>	
	<u>December 31, 2023</u>	<u>December 31, 2024</u>
Beginning balance	\$ 3,165,554	\$ 2,962,665
Total gains or losses (realized and unrealized) included in changes in net assets available for benefits	(149,903)	(139,014)
Purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements (net)	<u>(52,986)</u>	<u>322,429</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,962,665</u>	<u>\$ 3,146,080</u>

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#### Note D

##### **Investment Contract with Insurance Company**

The Plan is invested in a fully benefit-responsive general account investment contract (the “Fixed Account”) issued by Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company (the “Issuer”). Under the contract, contributions are held in the Issuer’s general account with no maturity date. The account is credited with earnings and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses.

The contract meets the criteria for a fully benefit-responsive investment contract and, accordingly, is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure because this is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents contributions plus credited earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses, as reported to the Plan by the Issuer. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value.

The Plan’s ability to receive amounts due is dependent on the Issuer’s ability to meet its financial obligations. The Issuer’s financial condition could be affected by future economic and regulatory developments. Generally, there are no events that would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value, except (i) transfers to competing investment options are subject to a 90-day restriction and (ii) in the case of certain large surrenders, the Issuer may pay amounts over time (not to exceed 60 months). There are no events or circumstances that would allow the Issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount other than contract value.

#### Note E

##### **Related-Party and Party-In-Interest Transactions**

Certain Plan investments are managed by Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company. Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company is the trustee, as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. These transactions are exempt from being prohibited transactions by ERISA.

#### Note F

##### **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 percent vested in their employer contributions.

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#### Note G

##### Tax Status

On June 30, 2020, the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") stated that the non-standardized pre-approved profit-sharing plan with CODA adopted by the Plan, as then designated, qualifies under Section 401(a) of the IRC. The Plan administrator timely adopted the approved Plan. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently being operated in accordance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principals (GAAP) requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken uncertain positions that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities. The Plan's management has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing authorities; however there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

#### Note H

##### Risks and Uncertainties

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

#### Note I

##### Information Prepared and Certified by the Trustees

The following information included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules was obtained from data that has been prepared and certified to as complete and accurate by Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company (the trustee of the plan).

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Investments, at fair value:		
Pooled separate accounts	\$ 17,043,799	\$ 15,579,314
Investments, at contract value:		
Stable Value Option	\$ 1,133,859	\$ 2,017,465
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 2,100,214	
Interest and dividends	\$ 498,247	

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#### Note J

#### Prohibited Transactions

During the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022, 2021, and 2020, the Company failed to remit to the Plan's trustee certain participant contributions within the period prescribed by Department of Labor regulations. Consequently, the Plan is considered to have engaged in non-exempt transactions with a party-in-interest. The Company is required to rectify the matter by paying lost earnings on the participant contributions that were remitted late.

**Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan**  
**Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4a**  
**Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions**  
 EIN: 13-5213180, Plan: 002  
 Year ended December 31, 2024

<b>Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan</b>	<b><u>Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions</u></b>			<b>Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51</b>
	<b>Contributions Not Corrected</b>	<b>Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP</b>	<b>Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP</b>	
Check here if late participant loan repayments are included: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
\$ <u>152,015</u>	\$ <u>152,015</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

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**Herbert J Sims 401(k) Plan**  
**Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i**  
**Schedule of Assets Held at End of Year**  
EIN: 13-5213180, Plan: 002  
December 31, 2024

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral Par or Maturity Value
<b>Pooled Separate Accounts:</b>		
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Allspg Spec MdCp VI Fd R6 ** \$ 596,466
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	AmCen Shrt Dur In Pr Bd Fd R6 ** 6,217
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	American Funds Am Balanced R6 ** 320,450
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	American Funds New World R6 ** 17,102
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	American Funds Nw Prspctv R6 ** 30,083
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	BlkRck High Yield Bnd Port K ** 310,757
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Carillon Eagle Mid Cap Grw R6 ** 816,024
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	DFA Real Estate Secs Port Ins ** 15,344
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	DFA US Targeted VI Port Ins ** 671,600
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Fidelity 500 Index Fund ** 2,252,302
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Fidelity Intl Index Fnd ** 21,349
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	JPMorgan LgCp Grw Fnd R6 ** 3,037,133
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	JPMorgan U.S. Res Enhanc Eq R6 ** 1,023,535
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MFS International Grw Fund R6 ** 1,195,231
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Agg 2055 Fd R ** 12,592
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Agg 2065 Fd R ** 164,790
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Cns 2035 F R ** 33,061
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Mod 2035 Fd R ** 1,609,856
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Mod 2045 Fd R ** 235,818
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Mod 2055 Fd R ** 667,236
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Mod 2065 Fd R ** 9,841
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	MyCompass Ind Mod Ret Fd R ** 102,152
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	PIMCO Income Fund Ins ** 87,939
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Vangrd Explorer Fund Adm ** 14,360
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Vangrd Int-Trm Bd Indx Fd Adm ** 830,304
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Vangrd LifeStrat Cns Gr Fd Inv ** 270,464
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Vangrd Mid-Cap Index Fund Adm ** 1,098,780
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Vangrd Small-Cap Index Fnd Adm ** 571,380
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Vangrd Value Index Fund Adm ** 1,020,965
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Voya Gv Mny Mkt F A (Hld Acct) ** <u>668</u>
	<b>Total pooled separate accounts</b>	17,043,799
*	Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Stable Value Option ** 1,133,859
	Funds held by Pershing, LLC	Self-directed Brokerage Account ** 11,876,133
*	Participant loans	Interest rates at 3.25 - 10.50%, various maturities - <u>92,064</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 30,145,855</u></b>

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