

**Form 5500**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security  
Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

**Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan**

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**

OMB Nos. 1210-0110  
1210-0089

**2024**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

**Part I Annual Report Identification Information**

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

- A** This return/report is for:
  - a multiemployer plan
  - a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
  - a single-employer plan
  - a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- B** This return/report is:
  - the first return/report
  - the final return/report
  - an amended return/report
  - a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
- C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▶
- D** Check box if filing under:
  - Form 5558
  - automatic extension
  - special extension (enter description)
  - the DFVC program
- E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. . . . . ▶

**Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information**

<b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>NEXFIRM LLC &amp; MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	<b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
<b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>NEXFIRM LLC</u>  <u>455 CENTRAL PARK AVENUE, SUITE 312</u> <u>SCARSDALE, NY 10583</u>	<b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2009</u>  <b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>26-3485406</u>  <b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>212-292-1000</u>  <b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>541110</u>

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

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

<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/09/2025	DAVID DEPIETTO
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/09/2025	DAVID DEPIETTO
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as 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>	302
<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>	265
	<b>6a(2)</b>	296
	<b>6b</b>	0
	<b>6c</b>	54
	<b>6d</b>	350
	<b>6e</b>	
	<b>6f</b>	350
	<b>6g(1)</b>	232
<b>6g(2)</b>	266	
<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:  
2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2T 2U 3B 3D

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input 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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<p><b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>NEXFIRM LLC</b></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>26-3485406</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  
**EMPOWER LIFE & ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK**

(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
93-1225432	60214	590665-01	7	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><b>(a)</b> Total amount of commissions paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0</p>	<p><b>(b)</b> Total amount of fees paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0</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

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

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

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<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 .....	4 521734
<b>5</b>	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5
<b>6</b>	Contracts With Allocated Funds:	
<b>a</b>	State the basis of premium rates ▶	
<b>b</b>	Premiums paid to carrier .....	6b
<b>c</b>	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year .....	6c
<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 ▶	6d
<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>	Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)	
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other ▶ GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT	
<b>b</b>	Balance at the end of the previous year .....	7b 529066
<b>c</b>	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....	7c(1) 23841
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	7c(2) 0
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	7c(3) 8579
	(4) Transferred from separate account .....	7c(4) 11418
	(5) Other (specify below)..... ▶ LOAN REPAYMENT	7c(5) 572
	(6) Total additions .....	7c(6) 44410
<b>d</b>	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6)) .....	7d 573476
<b>e</b>	Deductions:	
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year .....	7e(1) 7435
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2) -5349
	(3) Transferred to separate account .....	7e(3) 49656
	(4) Other (specify below)..... ▶	7e(4) 0
(5) Total deductions .....	7e(5) 51742	
<b>f</b>	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f 521734

**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>
<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>
	(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>
	(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. ....	<b>10b</b>	

Specify nature of costs.

**Part IV Provision of Information**

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

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

<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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**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)

SHELTER ROCK MANAGEMENT LLC

375 N BROADWAY STE 207  
JERICO, NY 11753-2008

(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?
27	FEE- BASED ADVISOR	106811	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

EMPOWER LIFE & ANNUITY INSURANCE CO

8515 EAST ORCHARD STREET  
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(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?
64	RECORDKEEPER	33160	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

EMPOWER FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

8515 E ORCHARD ROAD  
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(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?
59	ADVISORY		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

DANZIGER & MARKHOFF, LLP

1133 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, SUITE N208  
WHITE PLAINS, NY 10604

(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?
13	TPA	-15000	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

CREATIVE PENSION CONSULTANTS, INC.

435 NEW KARNER ROAD, CONCORD ST.  
ALBANY, NY 12205

(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?
13	TPA	69721	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		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
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<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
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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

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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:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

<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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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b>	
<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>NEXFIRM LLC &amp; MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>001</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>NEXFIRM LLC</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>26-3485406</b>

<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.

Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b> 12723	2642
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	0
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	63500
<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>	
<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>	
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	
<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> 65386	113177
<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>	
<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> 0	
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b> 19431387	27004117
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>	
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b> 0	0

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	<b>1d(1)</b>		
(2) Employer real property.....	<b>1d(2)</b>		
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	<b>1e</b>		
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	<b>1f</b>	19509496	27183436
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>		
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>		
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>		
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	0	0
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	19509496	27183436

**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: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>	1404426	
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	2810384	
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>	2298358	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	<b>2a(2)</b>		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		6513168
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>	6610	
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		6610
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>	983490	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		983490
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(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>		
(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>		1862000
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		0
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		9365268

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	1504945	
(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>		1504945
<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>		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>		
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	186383	
(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>		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		186383
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		1691328

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		7673940
<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: **MENGEL METZGER BARR & CO. LLP**

(2) EIN: **16-1092347**

**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.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	30500
<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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1000000
<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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**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>A</b> Name of plan <u>NEXFIRM LLC &amp; MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>NEXFIRM LLC</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>26-3485406</u>	

<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.**

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

1		0
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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): 93-1225432

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

**3** Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year..... 

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<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 \_\_\_\_\_

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(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 Q703799A.

<b>SCHEDULE MEP (Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN 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>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>NEXFIRM LLC &amp; MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit Plan number (PN)..... ▶	<b>001</b>
<b>C</b> Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF <b>NEXFIRM LLC</b>	<b>D</b> Administrator's EIN <b>26-3485406</b>	

**Part I Type of Multiple-Employer Pension Plan.** All multiple-employer pension plans must complete.

**1 Check the appropriate box to indicate type of multiple-employer pension plan. (Only defined contribution plans may check lines 1a, 1b, and 1c. Defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans not checking lines 1a, 1b, or 1c should check line 1d. See Instructions).**

- a**  association retirement plan (See 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- b**  professional employer organization plan (PEO Plan) (See 29 CFR 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- c**  pooled employer plan (PEP) (See 29 CFR 2510.3-44) (Complete Parts II and III)
- d**  other multiple-employer pension plan (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (Complete Part II)

**Part II Participating Employer Information.**

**2** All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan. **Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).**

<b>2a</b> Name of Participating Employer <b>AMIS, PATEL &amp; BREWER</b>	<b>2b</b> EIN <b>81-4810969</b>	<b>2c</b> Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year <b>10.93</b>	<b>2d</b> Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer <b>4913933</b>
<b>2a</b> Name of Participating Employer <b>BONA LAW P.C.</b>	<b>2b</b> EIN <b>46-4759672</b>	<b>2c</b> Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year <b>1.65</b>	<b>2d</b> Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer <b>588811</b>

**CAUTION** Do not individually list information for working owners (see instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-55(d)(2)) or other individuals who are participants or beneficiaries in the plan or arrangement that are no longer associated with a particular participating employer or participating employer plan (see instructions). Providing identifying information for individuals may result in rejection of this filing. If there are any such individuals in the plan, answer "Yes" to line 2e and provide the total information for all such individuals, without providing names or other identifying information.

<b>2e</b> Does the plan include any individuals not participating through an employer or who are individual working owners?	<b>2e</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>2f</b> If you answer "Yes" in line 2e, enter a good faith estimate of the percentage of total contributions made by all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a during the plan year.	<b>2f</b>	
<b>2g</b> If you answer "Yes" in Line 2e, enter the aggregate account balances for all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a.	<b>2g</b>	

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**Schedule MEP (2024)  
v. 240311**

**Part II Participating Employer Information (Continued).**

Use this page for additional participating employer information.

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
CARMICHAEL IP PLLC	47-3982083	1.64	347306
FELICELLO LAW PC	30-1208395	0.33	21586
CONRAD METLITZKY KANE	81-1232193	8.33	2992003
PHOENIX IMMIGRATION LAW, PLLC	92-2169260		200
DLX LAW LLP	82-5171327	0.01	480247
HANEY PHINYOWATTANCHIP PLLC	83-1824748	0.77	360594
SILVERMAN & ASSOCIATES	47-2787000	3.51	958157
MADAKET 4 PLLC (BYRNE CANAAN LAW)	84-2495191	6.03	1801810
MITCHELL BANKS PC	81-4977917	0.59	274461

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
THE MITCHELL LAW GROUP	81-3279576	2.55	1406761
SINGER CASHMAN	46-3630364	3.93	1817029
THE NORTON LAW FIRM	82-3292637	6.39	750916
REDWOOD PUBLIC LAW, LLP	99-1169194	28.32	1877122
TRABUCCO & MENARD PLLC	27-2186165	1.02	1320885
WOOL LONDON	84-4241293	0.49	112851
ROCK CREEK ENERGY GROUP, LLP	85-3941679	8.45	3789225
NEXFIRM LLC	26-3485406	3.12	814306
WOOD TCHENG,LLP	92-2278927	0.48	30947

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
PORTALE RANDAZZO LLP	82-0693759	0.26	24417
CALISTRI MCLAUGHLIN LLC	86-2269624	2.31	430102
CARDINALE FAYARD, A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION	88-0615451	2.37	456939
SLARSKY LLC	47-1294538	1.34	542604
BARDSLEY LAW, LLC	87-3782005	3.20	453966
JRW ESQUIRE LTD.	88-3062227	1.18	102550
BOONE IP LAW, LLC	92-3586338	0.06	3938
BMS LAW LLC	92-3266942	0.75	507128

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<b>Part III</b>	<b>Pooled Employer Plan Information</b>
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**Line 3.** All Pooled employer plans must answer all of the questions in Part III, in addition to completing all of Parts I and II.

**3a** Is the pooled plan provider (identified as the plan sponsor and administrator in Part II of the Form 5500) currently in compliance with the Form PR (Pooled Plan Provider Registration Statement) requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-44).....  Yes  No

**3b** If line 3a is "Yes", enter the ACK ID for the most recent Form PR that was required to be filed under the Form PR filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid ACK ID will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)  
ACK ID \_\_\_\_\_

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**NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K)**  
**RETIREMENT PLAN**

**NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES**

**AND**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

**DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Plan Administrator and Plan Participants  
NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement 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 NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note D 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

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

### ***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States 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 NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement 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 NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certifications, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of 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 schedule of the Schedule of Assets Held for Investment Purposes at End of Year – December 31, 2024 and Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions, 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 GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is 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 qualified institutions agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by institutions that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

*Mengel, Metzger, Baw & Co. LLP*

Rochester, New York  
October 14, 2025

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	December 31,	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Noninterest-bearing cash	\$ 2,642	\$ 12,723
Investments at fair value:		
Mutual funds	26,485,026	18,915,045
Investments at contract value:		
Stable value fixed annuities	519,091	516,342
Receivables:		
Employee contributions receivable	63,500	-
Participant notes receivable	<u>113,177</u>	<u>65,386</u>
	<u>176,677</u>	<u>65,386</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 27,183,436</u>	<u>\$ 19,509,496</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

ADDITIONS

Additions to net assets attributed to:	
Investment income:	
Interest and dividends	\$ 983,490
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	<u>1,862,000</u>
	2,845,490
Interest income from participant notes receivable	6,610
Contributions:	
Employee	2,810,384
Employer	1,404,426
Rollover	<u>2,298,358</u>
	6,513,168
TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>9,365,268</u>

DEDUCTIONS

Deductions from net assets attributed to:	
Benefits paid to participants	1,504,945
Administrative expenses	<u>186,383</u>
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<u>1,691,328</u>

NET INCREASE 7,673,940

Net assets available for benefits at beginning of year 19,509,496

NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR  
BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR \$ 27,183,436

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

## NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

#### NOTE A: DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document, including amendments, for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

##### General

The Plan is a defined contribution retirement plan covering substantially all employees of NexFirm LLC (the "Sponsor" and "Plan Administrator") and Member Firms who meet the eligibility requirements defined below. The Plan also offers this 401(k) arrangement option to multiple employers (the "Companies").

All participating employers of this multiple employer plan may, with the consent of the sponsoring employer, make elections with respect to the plan provisions that will apply only to the employees of such adopting employer, provided such elections are made in accordance with any terms and conditions prescribed by the sponsoring employer. Effective January 1, 2025, all eligible employees will be automatically enrolled in the Plan at a contribution rate of 10% of their wages unless they elect to not participate or elect to contribute at a different percent of wages. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act ("ERISA").

##### Participant requirements

An employee may become eligible to participate in the Plan after they have completed one year of service as defined as 1,000 hours of service and reach the age of 21 years old. Entry into the Plan is permitted on January 1<sup>st</sup> or July 1<sup>st</sup> upon fulfillment of these requirements.

##### Contributions

Each year, eligible employees may contribute up to 100% of their eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan, subject to Internal Revenue Service limitations.

The Companies will contribute and allocate to each participant's account a safe harbor non-elective contribution equal to 100% of the participant's salary deferrals up to 3% of eligible compensation to the Plan. In addition, the Companies may make a discretionary profit-sharing contribution to the Plan based on an amount determined by management for eligible employees employed on the last day of the Plan year. The safe harbor non-elective contributions for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$270,644. The discretionary profit-sharing contributions for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$1,133,782.

##### Participant accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and the allocation of (a) the Companies' contribution and (b) Plan earnings or losses. Participants direct all investment contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

##### Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Participants are also immediately invested in employer safe harbor non-elective contributions and employer discretionary profit-sharing contributions.

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Cont'd

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE A: DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN, Cont'd

Payment of benefits

Distributions may be made from account balances, with participant consent, under the following conditions: separation from service or upon participant's attainment of age of 59 1/2 as provided for in the Plan and in government regulations. Account balances that are more than \$5,000 but greater than \$1,000 upon separation of service will be paid in one lump-sum distribution or directly rolled over to an IRA if no distribution election is made in accordance with the provisions of the Plan. Account balances under \$1,000 will be paid in one lump-sum distribution in accordance with the provisions of the Plan. The Plan does not allow participants to receive benefits in case of hardship.

Participant notes receivable

Participants are entitled to borrow from their accounts subject to certain limitations. The Plan allows participants to borrow from their vested account balance. The maximum number of outstanding loans at any one time is one and the minimum amount of each loan is \$1,000. The maximum number of borrowings permitted cannot exceed the lesser of (1) \$50,000, reduced by the highest outstanding loan balance, if any, the participant had at any one time during the previous twelve-month period ending on the day before the loan is made; or (2) 50% of a participant's vested account balance. The notes must generally be repaid through payroll withholding in equal installments consisting of principal and interest, at a reasonable interest rate determined by the Plan Administrator, over a period not to exceed five years. Principal and interest payments on the loans are redeposited in the participants' accounts based on their current allocation elections. Notes receivable from participants are measured and valued at their unpaid principal balance plus accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent participant loans are reclassified as distributions based upon the terms of the plan document.

NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules of the Plan have been prepared on the accrual method of accounting.

Payment of benefits

Benefits paid to participants are recorded as of the date paid.

Use of estimates

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

Plan expenses

The Plan's expenses are paid either by the Plan or the Companies, as provided by the Plan document. Expenses that are paid directly by the Companies are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses incurred in connection with the general administration of the Plan that are paid by the Plan are recorded as deductions in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. In addition, certain investment related expenses are included in net appreciation or depreciation of fair value of investments presented in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. These expenses are party-in-interest transactions.

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Cont'd

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Cont'd

Investment valuation and income recognition

Investments in mutual funds are carried at fair value, which is determined based on the quoted market prices of the underlying securities. Investments in stable value fixed annuity accounts are valued at contract value, which approximates fair value, as upon discontinuance of the contract an adjustment does not apply.

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

Valuation of guaranteed investment contracts

The Plan holds an investment in a guaranteed investment contract, which qualifies as a traditional fully benefit responsive contract and therefore is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents contributions made under each contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses. There are no reserves against contract value for credit risk of the contract issuer or otherwise.

Contributions made to the guaranteed investment contracts are invested in the Empower Annuity Insurance Company of New York's Empower Investments Fixed Account – Series Class I. The principal invested in the Fund is guaranteed as long as the contract is in force. The Empower Investments Fixed Account – Series Class I has interest rates established quarterly, for the entire fund, regardless of when the funds are deposited. The credited interest rate may stay the same or change quarterly. The interest rate at December 31, 2024 is 1.45%.

The Empower Investments Fixed Account – Series Class I is a general account product. The methodology for calculating the interest crediting rate is based on consideration of current economic and market conditions, the general interest rate environment and both the expected and actual experience of a reference portfolio within the issuer's general account. The guaranteed investment contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan.

Certain events may limit the ability of the plan sponsor and/or plan participants to transact at contract value with Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of New York. Examples of these events would include (but would not be limited to) full or partial plan termination and premature termination of the guaranteed investment contract. The Plan administrator does not believe that the occurrence of any of the aforementioned events, which would limit the Plan's ability to transact with Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of New York at contract value with participants, are probable.

Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year presentation.

Subsequent events

The Plan has conducted an evaluation of potential subsequent events occurring after the statement of net assets available for benefits date through October 14, 2025, which is the date the financial statements are available to be issued. See Note A and Note I.

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Cont'd

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE C: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GAAP establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

- Level 1 - Valuation is based upon quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.
- Level 2 - Valuation is based upon:
  - Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets;
  - Quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in inactive markets;
  - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the instruments;
  - Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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

*Mutual funds:* These investments are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund.

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

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Cont'd

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE C: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, Cont'd

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	Assets at Fair Value			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<u>December 31, 2024</u>				
Mutual funds	\$26,485,026	\$ -	\$ -	\$26,485,026
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$26,485,026</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$26,485,026</u>
<u>December 31, 2023</u>				
Mutual funds	\$18,915,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$18,915,045
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$18,915,045</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$18,915,045</u>

NOTE D: CERTIFIED INVESTMENTS (UNAUDITED)

Certain information related to investments and participant notes receivable disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedules, including investments held at December 31, 2024 and 2023, interest income from participant notes receivable, interest and dividends, and net appreciation in fair value of investments for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained by management and agreed or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Empower Trust Company, LLC and Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of New York, trustees of the Plan and custodians of the Plan's assets.

The following is a summary of the unaudited information regarding the Plan:

	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Noninterest-bearing cash	\$ 2,642	\$ 12,723
Investments at fair value	26,485,026	18,915,045
Investments at contract value	519,091	516,342
Participant notes receivable	113,177	65,386
Interest income from participant notes receivable	6,610	
Interest and dividends	983,490	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	1,862,000	

Certain information presented above is included in the attached supplemental Schedule of Assets Held for Investment Purposes at End of Year - December 31, 2024.

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Cont'd

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE E: PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Plan Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts and their accounts will be paid to them as provided by the Plan document.

NOTE F: TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Plan applicant by a letter dated November 23, 2020, that the non-standardized pre-approved Plan adopted by the Company is designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving that determination letter. However, the Plan Administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the plan and recognize a tax liability if the plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service or other applicable taxing authorities. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE G: TRANSACTIONS WITH PARTY-IN-INTEREST

Certain plan investments are managed by Empower Trust Company, LLC and Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of New York, the trustees and custodians, of the Plan. Transactions in such investments qualify as party-in-interest transactions which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

As described in Note B, the Plan paid certain expenses related to plan operations and investment activity to various service providers. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions under ERISA.

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 values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE I: DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Certain employee contributions were not remitted to the Plan within the time frame specified by the Department of Labor's Regulation 29 CFR 2510.3-102, thus constituting nonexempt transactions between the Plan and the Companies for the year ended December 31, 2024. In October 2025, the Companies remitted these deferrals and will calculate and make a contribution to compensate the participants for lost investment earnings relating to these prohibited transactions.

**NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN**

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES**

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

EIN: 26-3485406

PLAN NUMBER: 001

FORM 5500 – SCHEDULE H – PART IV

LINE 4a – SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED - DECEMBER 31, 2024

Participant contributions transferred late to Plan	Total that constitute non-exempt prohibited transactions			Total fully corrected under VFCP and PTE 2002-51	Were late participant loan repayments included
	Contributions not corrected	Contributions corrected outside VFCP	Contributions pending correction in VFCP		
<u>\$ 30,500</u>	<u>\$ 30,500</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>No</u>

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

EIN: 26-3485406

PLAN NUMBER: 001

FORM 5500 – SCHEDULE H – PART IV

LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES

AT END OF YEAR - DECEMBER 31, 2024

(a)	(b) & (c)	(e)
	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party, description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Current value
	<u>Cash</u>	\$ 2,642
	<u>Mutual Funds</u>	
	AB Global Bond Fund Class I	7,663
	Allspring Short Term High Income Inst	222,352
	American Funds American Balanced Fund Class R6	56,409
	American Funds New Perspective Fund Class R6	330,785
	American Funds New World Fund Class R6	144,475
	AMG Yacktman Fund Class I	351,247
	Baird Aggregate Bond Fund Class Institutional	352,280
	BlackRock Equity Dividend K	525,339
	BlackRock Global Allocation Fund K	27,928
	Cohen & Steers Real Estate Securities Fund Class Z	111,222
	Delaware Small-Cap Core Fund Class R6	408,422
	Fidelity Advisor Strategic Income Fund Class Z	268,795
	Fidelity Advisor Technology Fund Class Z	722,782
	Hartford Schroders International Stock	551,178
	Invesco Gold & Special Minerals Fund Class R6	78,264
	Janus Henderson Forty Fund Class N	699,505
	Jensen Quality Growth Y	277,157
	Parnassus Core Equity Fund - Institutional Shares	793,186
	PGIM High-Yield Fund Class R6	40,235
	PIMCO Income Fund Institutional Class	424,443
	PIMCO Real Return Fund Institutional Class	75,483
	Victory Sycamore Established Value Fund Class I	<u>648,986</u>
	Balance forward	7,118,136

NEXFIRM LLC & MEMBER FIRMS' 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN

EIN: 26-3485406  
PLAN NUMBER: 001

FORM 5500 – SCHEDULE H – PART IV

LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES  
AT END OF YEAR - DECEMBER 31, 2024, Cont'd

(a)	(b) & (c)	(e)
	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party, description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Current value
	Balance forward	\$ 7,118,136
	Vanguard 500 Index Fund Admiral Shares	2,455,786
	Vanguard Energy Index Fund Admiral Shares	260,752
	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index Admiral Shares	557,911
	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund Admiral Shares	591,616
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund Investor Shares	697,546
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund Investor Shares	1,853,263
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund Investor Shares	2,313,030
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund Investor Shares	2,318,567
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund Investor Shares	1,739,525
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund Investor Shares	2,974,454
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund Investor Shares	1,194,234
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund Investor Shares	592,937
*	Empower SDB	643,526
	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund Investor Shares	658,220
	Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund Admiral Shares	401,109
	Vanguard Wellesley Income Fund Admiral Shares	114,414
		<u>26,485,026</u>
**	Empower Investments Fixed Account Fund Series Class I	519,091
	<u>Participants Notes Receivable</u>	
***	Participant notes receivable - maturity dates through December 2029, interest rates ranging from 4.25% - 9.50% per annum.	113,177
		<u>\$ 27,119,936</u>

\* Party-in-interest is the Empower Trust Company, LLC

\*\* Party-in-interest is the Empower Life & Annuity Insurance Company of New York

\*\*\* Additional party-in-interest

Note: Column (d) has been omitted because the assets held for investment purposes are participant directed.

**Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan**

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

► **Complete all entries in accordance with the Instructions to the Form 5500.**

**Part I Annual Report Identification Information**

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

**A** This return/report is for:  a multiemployer plan  a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)

**B** This return/report is:  a single-employer plan  a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 the first return/report  the final return/report  
 an amended return/report  a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

**C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here . . . . . ►

**D** Check box if filing under:  Form 5558  automatic extension  the DFVC program  
 special extension (enter description)


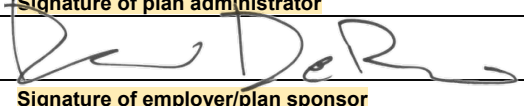
**E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here . . . . . ►

**Part II Basic Plan Information --- enter all requested information**

<p><b>1a</b> Name of plan  <b>NexFirm LLC &amp; Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan</b></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ► <b>001</b></p>
<p><b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)          Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street or P.O. Box)          City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (If foreign, see instructions)</p> <p><b>NexFirm LLC</b></p> <p>455 Central Park Avenue, Suite 312</p> <p>US Scarsdale NY 10583</p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan  <b>01/01/2009</b></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)  <b>26-3485406</b></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number  <b>(212) 292-1000</b></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions)  <b>541110</b></p>

**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.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>		10/9/2025	David DePietto
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>		10/9/2025	David DePietto
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

<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  <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>
<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 and 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> 302
<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>6a(1)</b> 265
<b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year . . . . .	<b>6a(2)</b> 296
<b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits . . . . .	<b>6b</b> 0
<b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits . . . . .	<b>6c</b> 54
<b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> . . . . .	<b>6d</b> 350
<b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits . . . . .	<b>6e</b>
<b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> . . . . .	<b>6f</b> 350
<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>6g(1)</b> 232
<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>6g(2)</b> 266
<b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested . . . . .	<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:  
 2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2T 2U 3B 3D

**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 (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

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

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**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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**Form 5500 Schedule H, Line 4a**  
**Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions**

**Plan Name: NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan**  
**EIN: 26-3485406                      PN: 001**  
**Plan Year End: 20241231**

Year	Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan	Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are included	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
2024	\$30,500		\$30,500		

All late participant contributions have been remitted to the Plan, and the lost earnings and Form 5330 are in progress.

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

For the plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

Name of plan

NexFirm LLC & Member Firms' 401(k) Retirement Plan

Employer Identification Number

26-3485406

Three-digit  
plan number

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(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	AB Global Bond Z	mutual fund		7,663
	AF American Balanced R6	mutual fund		56,409
	AF New Persepective R6	mutual fund		330,785
	AF New World R6	mutual fund		144,475
	AMG Yacktman I	mutual fund		351,247
	Baird Aggregated Bond Inst	mutual fund		352,280
	Blackrock Equity Div K	mutual fund		525,339
	Blackrock Global Alloc K	mutual fund		27,928
	Cohen & Steers RE Sec Z	mutual fund		111,222
	Delaware Small Cap Core R6	mutual fund		0
	Fidelity Adv Strategic Inc Z	mutual fund		268,795
	Fidelity Adv Technology Z	mutual fund		722,781
	HartfordSchroders Intl STK SDR	mutual fund		551,178
	Invesco Gold & Spec Min R6	mutual fund		78,264
	Janus Henderson Forty N	mutual fund		699,505
	Parnassus Core Equity Inst	mutual fund		793,186
	PGIM High Yield R6	mutual fund		40,235
	PIMCO Income Instl	mutual fund		424,443
	PIMCO RE Return Instl	mutual fund		75,483
	Vanguard 500 index Admiral	mutual fund		2,455,786
	Vanguard Energy Index ADM	mutual fund		260,752
	Vanguard MidCap Index Fund Adm	mutual fund		557,911
	Vanguard SmallCap Index Adm	mutual fund		591,616
	Vanguard Target Ret 2025 Inv	mutual fund		697,546
	Vanguard Target Ret 2030 Inv	mutual fund		1,853,263
	Vanguard Target Ret 2035 Inv	mutual fund		2,313,030
	Vanguard Target Ret 2040 Inv	mutual fund		2,318,569
	Vanguard Target Ret 2045 Inv	mutual fund		1,739,525
	Vanguard Target Ret 2050 Inv	mutual fund		2,974,454
	Vanguard Target Ret 2055 Inv	mutual fund		1,194,234
	Vanguard Target Ret 2060 Inv	mutual fund		592,937
	Vanguard Target Ret Income Adv	mutual fund		658,220
	Vanguard Tot Intl Stk Idx Adm	mutual fund		401,109
	Vanguard Wellesley Income Adm	mutual fund		114,414
	Victory Sycamore Est Value I	mutual fund		648,986
	EI Fixed Account - Ser Cl I	mutual fund		519,091
	Empower SDB	mutual fund		643,526
	Participant Loans	participant notes @ 4.25-9.50%		113,177
	Jensen Quality Growth Y	mutual fund		277,157

