# Association of Old Crows Audited Financials – Memo on Governance Letter 12/31/24

Regarding the Governance letter, page 2, Significant Risks Identified section. This section contains language that was required and first introduced in 2023. This standard language gives the reader a background into how we have to plan our audit. The risks listed are the standard risks for almost every audit of an exempt organization. Our responsibility as an auditor is to design audit procedures to address these risks.

Please keep in mind the significant risks listed are not unique to the Association, nor do they imply any concerns about the Association. No deficiencies were noted in these risk areas. These risks are also listed in the engagement letter for our services.



May 30, 2025

To the Board of Directors Association of Old Crows 1001 N. Fairfax Street, Suite 300 Alexandria, Virginia

We have audited the financial statements of Association of Old Crows (AOC) for the year ended December 31, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated May 30, 2025. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

### Our Responsibility in Relation to the Financial Statement Audit

As communicated in our engagement letter dated February 4, 2025, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express an opinion about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of its respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of the system of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the system of internal control of Association of Old Crow's solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

#### Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

## Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, and our firm have complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence.



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## Significant Risks Identified

We have identified the following significant risks for this audit, based upon the nature of AOC as a nonprofit organization rather than any specific identified concerns:

- Improper revenue recognition
- Management override of controls

Our audit was planned and performed to address these risks, and any noted deficiencies regarding these risks would be addressed in a separate letter.

## Qualitative Aspects of AOC's Significant Accounting Practices

#### Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by AOC is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. There have been no initial selection of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during the year ended December 31, 2024. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

#### Significant Accounting Estimates and Related Disclosures

Accounting estimates and related disclosures are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments.

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements were:

- Management's estimate of the allocation of expenses to programs is based on an allocation of the actual time spent on each program. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the allocation and determined that it is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.
- The estimated useful life of fifteen years used for amortizing the lifetime membership fees collected into income

We evaluated all the factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates and determined that they are reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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#### Financial Statement Disclosures

Certain financial statement disclosures involve significant judgment and are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosure affecting AOC's financial statements relates to:

The disclosure of liquidity and availability of AOC's financial assets in Note 2
to the financial statements. Per adoption of ASU 2016-14, AOC must disclose
quantitative and qualitative information about the availability of and how it
manages its liquid available resources to meet cash needs for general
expenditures within one year of the date of the statement of financial position.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

### Significant Unusual Transactions

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to communicate to you significant unusual transactions identified during our audit. We encountered no significant unusual transactions during the performance of the audit.

### Significant Difficulties Encountered During the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

### **Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements**

For purposes of this communication, professional standards also require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Further, professional standards require us to also communicate the effect of uncorrected misstatements related to prior periods on the relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures, and the financial statements as a whole. Management has corrected all identified misstatements

### Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

#### Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management, which are included in the management representation letter dated May 30, 2025.

### Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to AOC's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those financial statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

#### Other Significant Matters, Findings, or Issues

In the normal course of our professional association with AOC, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, significant events or transactions that occurred during the year, business conditions affecting the entity, and business plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as AOC's auditors.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors and management of Association of Old Crows and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

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May 30, 2025

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This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of Association of Old Crows, which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2024, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information such that, in the light of surrounding circumstances, 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.

We confirm that to the best of our knowledge and belief, having made such inquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves as of May 30, 2025:

#### **Financial Statements**

- 1) We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement letter dated February 4, 2025, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- 2) The financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with U.S. GAAP.
- 3) We acknowledge our responsibility 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.
- 4) We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of the system of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
- 5) Significant assumptions we used in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
- 6) All related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
- 7) All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
- 8) We are in agreement with the adjusting journal entries you have proposed, and they have been posted to the Association's accounts.
- 9) The effects of all known actual or possible litigation and claims have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- 10) Significant estimates and material concentrations have been properly disclosed in accordance



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with U.S. GAAP.

11) Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the Association is contingently liable, have been properly recorded or disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

#### Information Provided

- 12) We have provided you with:
  - Access to all information, of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, such as records, documentation, and other matters;
  - b) Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit;
  - c) Unrestricted access to persons within the entity and others from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence;
  - Unrestricted access to persons withing the Association from whom you determined it was necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- 13) All material transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
- 14) We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
- 15) We have provided to you our evaluation of the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, including significant conditions and events present, and we believe that our use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate.
- 16) We have no knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud that affects the entity and involves:
  - a) Management;
  - b) Employees who have significant roles in internal control; or
  - c) Others when the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- 17) We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators, or others.
- 18) The Association has a satisfactory title to all owned assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset been pledged as collateral.
- 19) We are responsible for compliance with the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to us.
- 20) We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation, claims, or assessments, or unasserted claims or assessments that are required to be accrued or disclosed in the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and we have not consulted a lawyer concerning litigation, claims, or assessments.

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- 21) We have disclosed to you the identity of all the entity's related parties and the nature of all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
- 22) Association of Old Crows is an exempt Organization under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any activities of which we are aware that would jeopardize the Organization's tax-exempt status, and all activities subject to tax on unrelated business income or excise or other tax, have been disclosed to you. All required filings with tax authorities are up-to-date.
- 23) With respect to the nonattest services performed, we have performed the following:
  - a) Made all management decisions and performed all management functions.
  - b) Assigned a competent individual (within senior management) with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience to oversee the services.
  - c) Evaluated the adequacy and results of the services performed.
  - d) Evaluated and accepted the responsibility for the result of the service performed.

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