

#### PUBLIC

**EDSTATES CHANGE COMMISSION** 

on, D.C. 20549

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0123 Expires: February 28, 2010

Estimated average burden hours per response..... 12.00

SEC FILE NUMBER

48306

ANNUAL AUDITED B **FORM X-174** PART IN

**FACING PAGE** Information Required of Brokers and Dealers 1 Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule Thereunder

12/31/09 01/01/09 REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING AND ENDING MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION Petersen Investments, Inc. OFFICIAL USE ONLY NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: FIRM I.D. NO. ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.) 2221 Landmark Place (No. and Street) 08736 Wall NJ (Zip Code) (State) (City) NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT Bertram Riley Jr. 732 528-0880 (Area Code - Telephone Number) **B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION** INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\* Kutz & Kutz CPA PC (Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name) NY 11021 Great Neck 185 Great Neck Rd Ste 450 (State) (Zip Code) (City) (Address) **CHECK ONE:** ☑ Certified Public Accountant ☐ Public Accountant Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions. FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

> Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1410 (06-02)

#### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I.		Bertram Riley Jr.			, swear (or affirm)	that, to the best of	
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Petersen Investments, Inc.							
of	-	December 31	, 20_	09	_, are true and correct. I further sw		
nei	ither	the company nor any partner, proprietor, princi	pal o	fficer	or director has any proprietary intere	st in any account	
cla	ssifie	ed solely as that of a customer, except as follows	s:				
******					Ext 1240		
				_	Signature		
					Vice President		
		,			Title		
,		And				1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.	
	18	Notary Public					
		Notary Fublic			KAREN BRUTON		
Th	is rep	port ** contains (check all applicable boxes):		NOTA	RY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY		
		Facing Page.	M	ty Con	imission Expires July 23, 2012		
		Statement of Financial Condition.					
	(c)	Statement of Income (Loss).					
	(d)	Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.	ъ	4	Control		
	(e)	Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity	or Pa	Claim	or Sole Proprietors Capital.		
$\vdash$		Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinate	ea to	Claim	s of Creditors.		
	(g)	Computation of Net Capital.	mire	ments	Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3		
	<ul> <li>□ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.</li> <li>□ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.</li> </ul>						
$\exists$							
_	U)	Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.					
	(k)	A Reconciliation between the audited and unau	dited	State	ments of Financial Condition with re	spect to methods of	
	()	consolidation.					
Z	. (1)	An Oath or Affirmation.					
	(m)	A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.					
	(n)	A report describing any material inadequacies fo	und t	to exist	or found to have existed since the date	e of the previous audit.	

\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

SIGN

# PETERSEN INVESTMENTS, INC. DECEMBER 31, 2009

### <u>INDEX</u>

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT	<u>PAGE</u> 1
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION	2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	3 - 8

## KUTZ & KUTZ, CPA, P.C. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

ANDREW B. KUTZ PAUL J. KUTZ 185 Great Neck Rd. - Suite 450 Great Neck, NY 11021 Telephone (516) 482-1158 Fax (516) 829-5312

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Stockholder of Petersen Investments, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Petersen Investments, Inc. as of December 31, 2009. The financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principals used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Petersen Investments, Inc. at December 31, 2009 in conformity with accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America.

Kuts & Kuts CAS RC

Kutz & Kutz Certified Public Accountants PC Great Neck, NY January 26, 2010

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2009**

#### NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

Petersen Investments, Inc. (the "Company") a New Jersey corporation is registered as a broker - dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA").

During October 2008, 100% of ownership of the Company was transferred to the Riley Family Trust.

The Company conducts a general securities business by introducing transactions on a fully-disclosed basis to a clearing broker/dealer who carries all accounts and prepares and maintains all books and records pertaining thereto pursuant to SEC Rules 17a-3 and 17a-4, as are customarily made and kept by a clearing broker/dealer.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

All short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company is engaged in various trading and brokerage activities in which counter parties primarily include broker/dealers, banks, and other financial institutions. In the event counter parties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counter party or issuer of the instrument. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counter party.

#### Depreciation and Amortization

The cost of furniture and equipment is depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the related assets of 5 to 7 years. The cost of leasehold improvements is amortized over the length of the underlying lease. Depreciation is computed on a straight line basis for financial reporting purposes and an accelerated basis for income tax purposes. Leasehold improvements are amortized in accordance with Internal Revenue Service regulations for income tax purposes.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2009**

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments including receivable and payable from/to clearing broker, accounts payable and accrued expenses and taxes payable, are carried at fair value in accordance with FASB Statement No. 157.

#### Revenue Recognition

Securities transactions and related income and expenses are recorded on a settlement date basis. Commission revenues are recorded on a settlement date basis which does not have a material effect on reported revenues and expenses.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The Company does not expect the adoption of recent accounting pronouncements to have any material impact on its financial condition or results of operations.

#### Comprehensive Income

Effective January 1, 1999 the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income" ("SFAS No. 130"). SFAS No. 130 requires an entity to report comprehensive income and its components and increases financial reporting disclosures. This standard has no impact on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations since the Company's comprehensive income is the same as its reported net income.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2009**

#### NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash at December 31, 2009 included the following:

Cash in bank
Pro-checking money market at clearing broker

\$91,799 186,395

\$278,194

#### NOTE 4 - PROVISION FOR STATE AND LOCAL INCOME TAXES

The Company elected "S Corporation" status with the Internal Revenue Service commencing in 1981, New Jersey State taxing authorities in 1997 and New York State in 2003. The stockholder, an electing small business trust, includes the "S Corporation" income or loss on its separate income tax returns. Accordingly, no federal income taxes or benefits are provided for in the financial statements during the period of "S Corporation" status. The Company's "S" election also makes the recognition of a deferred tax provision pursuant to FASB Statement No. 109 "Accounting for Income Taxes" unnecessary.

Provision for local income taxes is calculated on reported financial statement pretax income based on current tax law. The income tax provision consists of the following:

State and local Current Deferred Total \$3,080 \$0 \$3,080

#### **NOTE 5 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Company is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital shall not exceed 15 to 1. The rule also states that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. At December 31, 2009 the Company's net capital was \$298,007 which was \$262,811 in excess of its required net capital of \$35,196. The Company's aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was 1.77 to 1.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2009**

#### **NOTE 6 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

Property and equipment consists of the following at December 31, 2009:

Automobiles	\$68,897
Furniture and fixtures	23,079
Computers	87,904
	179,880
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(111,512)
	\$68,368

#### **NOTE 7 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

The company is liable for lease agreements on office space and an automobile. The office lease expires on April 1, 2014 and the automobile lease expires in April 2013. The Company also rents storage and office space on a month to month basis. Rental expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$49,139. Remaining commitments under the operating leases are as follows:

Year Ending December 31st:	Amount
2010	\$41,523
2011	41,523
2012	42,487
2013	36,430
2014	8,520
	4470 400
	\$170.483

#### NOTE 8 - RECEIVABLE FROM AND PAYABLE TO CLEARING BROKER

Amounts receivable from and payable to the clearing broker at December 31, 2009 consist of the following:

	Receivable	Payable
Deposit at clearing broker	\$100,000	\$0
Receivable from clearing broker	463,758	
Payable to clearing broker		10,672
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	\$563,758	\$10,672

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2009**

#### **NOTE 9 - OFF BALANCE SHEET RISK**

Pursuant to a clearance agreement dated January 9, 2008, the Company introduces all of its securities transactions to its clearing broker on a fully disclosed basis. Therefore, all of the customers' money balances and long and short security positions are carried on the books of the clearing broker. Under certain conditions as defined in the clearance agreement, the Company has agreed to indemnify the clearing broker for losses, if any, which the clearing broker may sustain from carrying securities transactions introduced by the Company. In accordance with industry practice and regulatory requirements, the Company and the clearing broker monitor collateral on the securities transactions introduced by the Company.

#### **NOTE 10 - GUARANTEES**

FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others, requires the Company to disclose information about its obligations under certain guarantee arrangement. FIN 45 defines guarantees as contracts and indemnification agreements that contingently require a guarantor to make payments to the guaranteed party based on changes in an underlying situation (such as an interest or foreign exchange rate, security or commodity price, an index or the occurrence of non occurrence of a specified event) related to an asset, liability or equity security of a guaranteed party. FIN 45 also defines guarantees as contracts that contingently require the guarantor to make payments to the guaranteed party based on another entity's failure to perform under an agreement as well as indirect guarantees of the indebtedness of others.

#### **Indemnifications**

In the normal course of its business, the Company indemnifies and guarantees certain service providers, such as clearing and custody agents, trustees and administrators, against specified potential losses in connection with their acting as an agent of, or providing services to, the Company or its affiliates. The Company also indemnifies some clients against potential losses incurred in the event specified third party service providers, including sub custodians and third-party brokers, improperly execute transactions. The maximum potential amount of future payments the Company could be required to make under these indemnifications cannot be estimated. However, the Company believes that it is unlikely it will have to make material payments under these arrangements and has not recorded any contingent liability in the financial statements for these indemnifications.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2009**

#### **NOTE 10 - GUARANTEES (continued)**

The Company provides representations and warranties to counter parties in connection with a variety of commercial transactions and occasionally indemnifies them against potential losses caused by the breach of those representations and warranties. The Company may also provide standard indemnifications to some of the counter parties to protect them in the event additional taxes are owed or payments are withheld, due either to a change in or adverse application of certain tax laws. These indemnifications are generally standard contractual terms and are entered into in the normal course of business. The maximum potential amount of future payments that the Company could be required to make under these indemnifications cannot be estimated. However the Company believes it is unlikely it will have to make material payments under these arrangements and has not recorded any contingent liability in the financial statements for these indemnifications.

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2009

(With Independent Auditors Report Thereon)