

Consolidated Audit Trail, LLC
2025 Financial and Operating Budget

Accrual Basis Budget ⁽¹⁾

	Actual		Estimated		
	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total (2)
Revenue Recognized					
Projected Fees From Industry Members (2/3)	\$ 57,138,614	\$ 65,924,351	\$ 24,626,338	\$ 13,494,758	\$ 161,184,062
Projected Fees From SROs (1/3)	28,569,307	32,962,176	12,298,796	6,747,379	80,577,657
Total Revenue Recognized	85,707,921	98,886,527	36,925,134	20,242,137	241,761,719
Estimated Incurred Expenses					
<i>Technology Costs:</i>	Actual		Estimated (3)		Total
Cloud hosting services (5)	36,357,017	28,516,109	24,066,633	33,145,052	122,084,811
Operating fees	7,196,026	7,116,791	7,165,010	7,226,375	28,704,202
CAIS operating fees	5,187,462	5,187,462	5,187,462	5,187,462	20,749,848
Cyber Insurance Premium Adjustment	440,748	311,574	212,196	263,281	1,227,799
Placeholder for possible change requests	-	-	-	325,000	325,000
Total Technology Costs	49,181,253	41,131,936	36,631,301	46,147,170	173,091,660
<i>General and Administrative:</i>					
Legal	1,922,990	1,848,463	1,606,291	1,934,803	7,312,547
Consulting	423,861	399,829	467,905	458,405	1,750,000
Insurance	369,776	369,776	323,910	305,289	1,368,750
Professional and administration	313,066	320,414	596,785	162,414	1,392,679
Public relations	6,575	-	-	-	6,575
Interest income	(341,262)	(829,502)	(1,339,459)	-	(2,510,223)
Total General and Administrative	2,695,006	2,108,980	1,655,432	2,860,910	9,320,328
Total Estimated Incurred Expenses	51,876,259	43,240,916	38,286,733	49,008,080	182,411,988
<i>Capitalized Developed Technology Costs</i>	1,150,000	100,000	124,960	-	1,374,960
<i>Software License Fee - 2025</i>	3,721,962	50,301	16,767	-	3,789,031
Total Expenses	56,748,221	43,391,217	38,428,460	49,008,080	187,575,979
Liquidity Reserve Adjustment (25%) Based on Total Expenses	(6,012,150)	(6,012,150)	(6,012,150)	(6,012,150)	(24,048,600)
Total Funding Requirement	50,736,071	37,379,067	32,416,310	42,995,930	163,527,379
Liquidity Reserve Balance as of Beginning of Year	70,942,596	-	-	-	70,942,596
Excess/(Deficiency) of Revenue Over/(Under) Total Expenses	28,959,700	55,495,310	(1,503,327)	(28,765,943)	54,185,741
Estimated Liquidity Reserve Balance	\$ 99,902,296	\$ 155,397,606	\$ 153,894,279	\$ 125,128,336	\$ 125,128,336
Estimated Inflows (Outflows) from Historical Costs: (4)					
Fee collection - Historical Costs (\$212,039,879) - Cash Basis	\$ 32,171,732	\$ 37,976,249	\$ 33,897,340	\$ 7,140,071	\$ 111,185,392
Repayment of Promissory Notes/Contributions - Cash Basis	(29,199,297)	(35,471,565)	(40,267,951)	(14,280,142)	(119,218,955)

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(1) This accrual basis budget reflects revenues when earned and expenditures when incurred pursuant to US GAAP.

(2) Revenues of \$241,761,719 are equal to Total Expenses Incurred (\$187,575,979) plus the excess of Revenues over Total Expenses during the period January through December 2025 (\$54,185,741).

(3) The estimated expenses for this accrual basis budget are based on currently anticipated costs. Actual results may differ from these budgeted amounts.

(4) Represents the billings and collections of historical costs incurred through December 31, 2021 (through FAM 3). Monthly billings commenced in November 2024 and were expected to run through October 2026 (a 24-month period). However, no invoices related to such historical costs will be sent after the December 2025 invoices (which are calculated based on November trades through November 28, 2025) unless there is an extension of the Court's stay and/or approval of a new funding model.

(5) Cloud Hosting Services decrease of \$37M due to a) updating February - September with actuals and b) reforecasting October through December. Early results of Cost Savings Amendment and other optimizations exceed prior estimates. Estimates do not include impact of additional Cost Savings proposals currently under review.