Formerly Dickerson Rix and Co., LLP



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It's about time.

Dear Clients and Friends of Dickerson Rix,

Dickerson Rix and Co., LLP, is pleased to announce that we have merged with a regional firm, ATLAS CPAs & Advisors PLLC ("ATLAS"). This combination is expected to allow us to continue to serve our valued clients with outstanding professional services and to broaden the services we offer.

ATLAS is an acronym for "Advisors That Listen And Serve". The firm promotes a client-centered culture focused on creating a small-firm feel with large-firm resources. For our clients, this means continued direct access to senior staff and partners but now with more resources, services, and expertise. While continuing to offer corporate and individual tax compliance and planning, estate and trust compliance, transaction consulting, accounting and finance support, and assurance services, now we will offer a wider range of services. For businesses, this includes back-office support, valuation services, IRS controversy resolution and more. For individuals, this means moving toward an improved technology platform to increase efficiency and our ability to communicate with you timely and effectively. In the end, our professional staff will have more time to spend on high value activities such as working directly with you.

Who is ATLAS?

ATLAS, now with 25 locations in 8 states, is a growing and thriving regional firm that is quickly scaling across the United States. Dickerson Rix is the first ATLAS office in California. There also is a growing staff of remote professionals located in various parts of the country. ATLAS utilizes leading technology platforms to link people and systems, and we believe that our clients will benefit from these additional resources. We encourage you to visit www.atlasfirms.com and view the "Services" tab for more information.

We recognize our decision to merge will lead to a number of questions. We want to assure you that we are doing everything possible to make all that we do better.

Here are some key details related to the merge.

- Both Lou Anna and Nancy joined ATLAS as Partners. Lou Anna will continue to lead the tax team and focus on trust high net-worth clients. Nancy will continue to work with high net-worth and corporate clients.
- Our biggest asset is our team of professionals, many who have served Dickerson Rix clients for several years. You will continue to work with the same people that you have come to know including Roger, Dan, Bei, Christine, Lana, Polly and Leslie.
- Our office will remain in Rancho Bernardo on West Bernardo Drive. In a few weeks you will notice that our email addresses have changed.
- ATLAS fee structure is consistent with historical Dickerson Rix fees. Keep in mind that each year Dickerson Rix adjusted hourly rates and service fees. This year will be no different.
- Dickerson Rix and Co., LLP, now is ATLAS CPAs & Advisors, an ATLAS Navigators LLC Firm. You likely will continue to see and hear the Dickerson Rix name as we make the transition into the larger ATLAS family.

Our entire team appreciates your business. We do not exist without you. We look forward to working together in the future and serving your needs.

Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns. We look forward to introducing ATLAS to you and the San Diego area.

Sincerely,

Lou Anna Dickerson and Nancy Rix



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