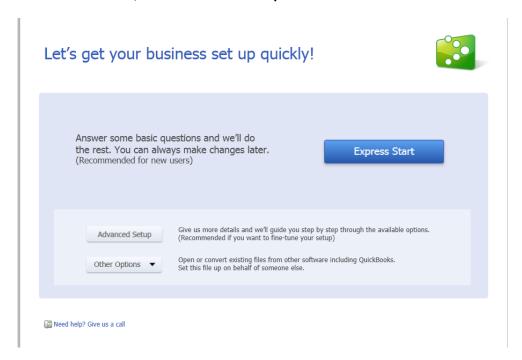
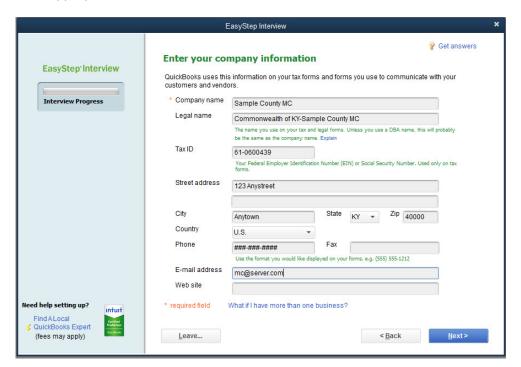
MC QuickBooks File Setup

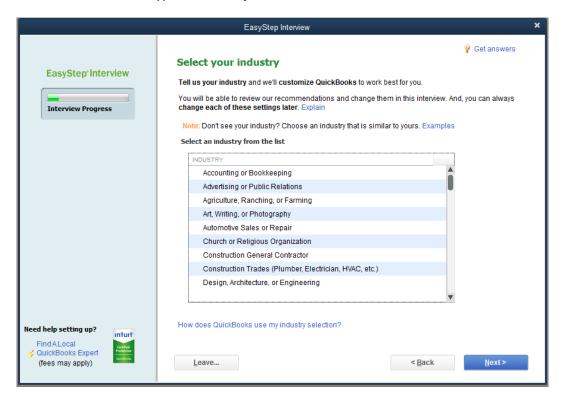
Once QB is installed, select Advanced Set up



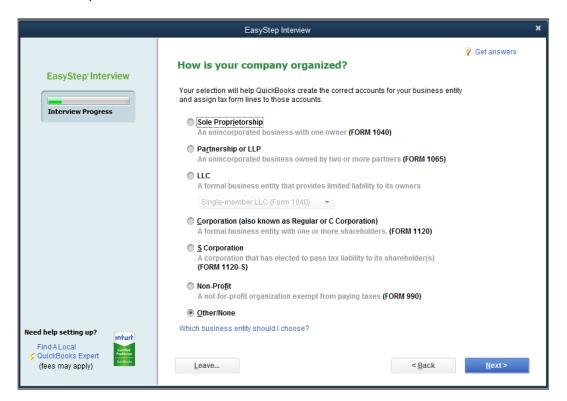
Enter appropriate office information, then click Next



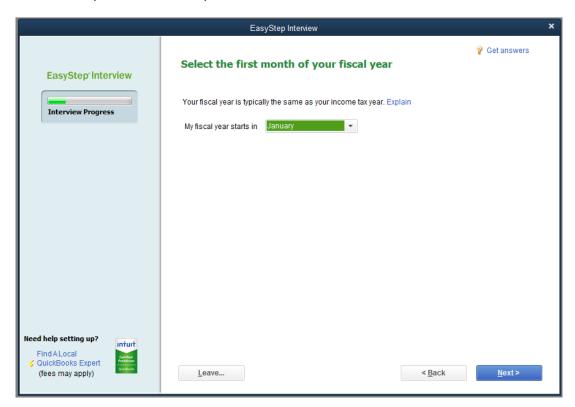
Do not select business type from list – just click Next



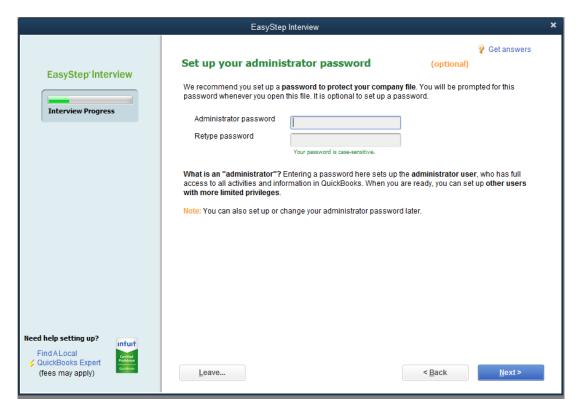
Select Other/None then Next



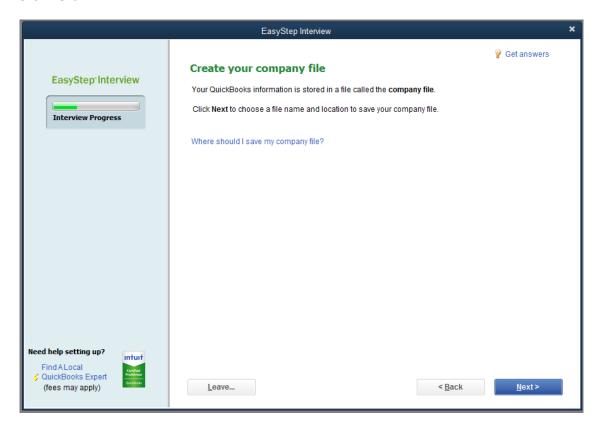
Select January for start of fiscal year, then Next



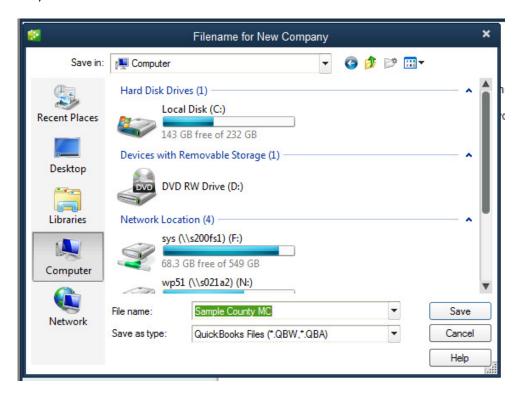
Set password if desired, otherwise leave blank. Then click Next



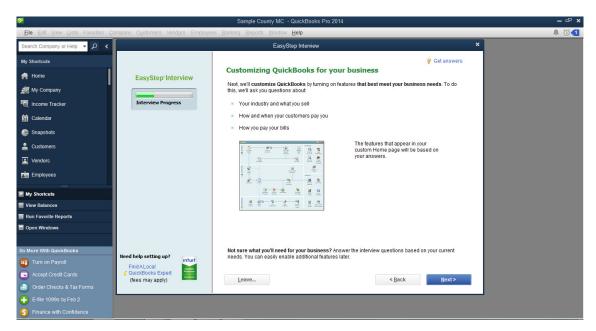
Click Next



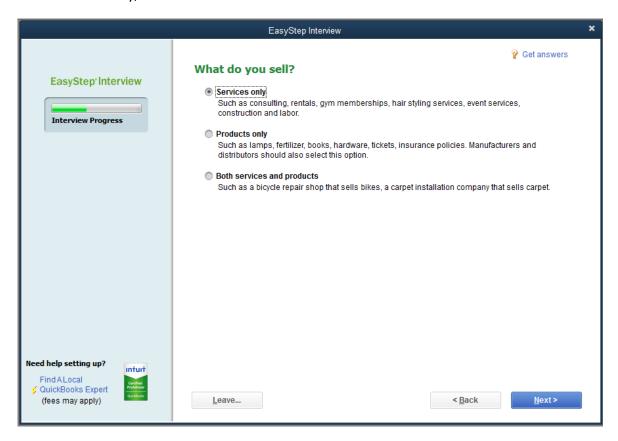
Navigate to location where you want to store the QB data file (hard drive of computer, server location, etc.) and click Save.



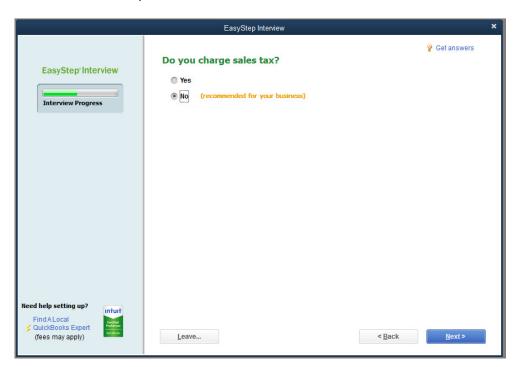
Wait while the file is created and saved. The default desktop view will appear. Select Next



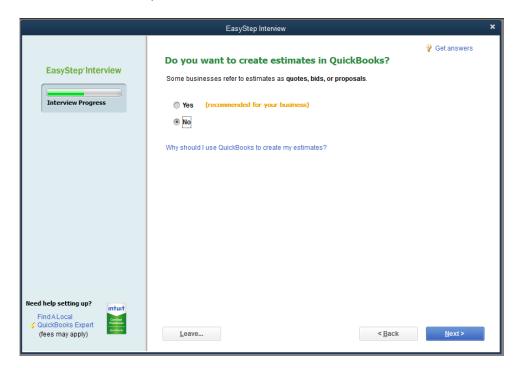
Select Services Only, then Next



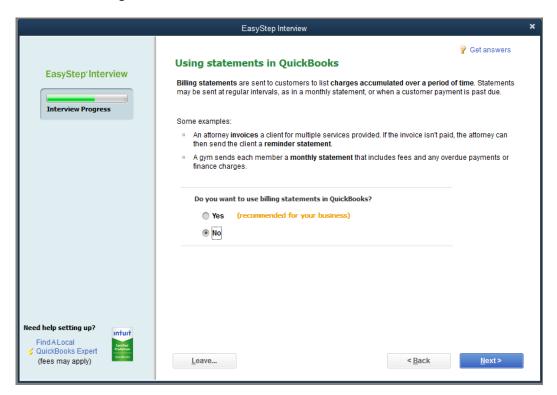
Select No to sales tax, then Next



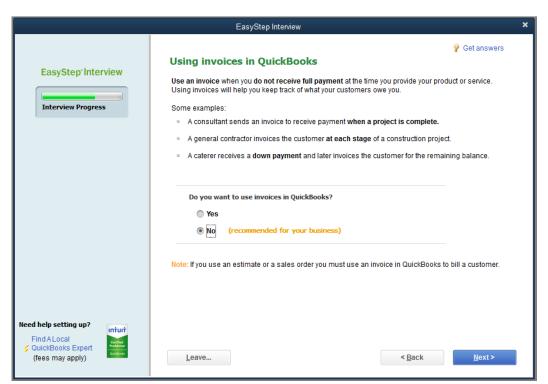
Select No to estimates, then Next



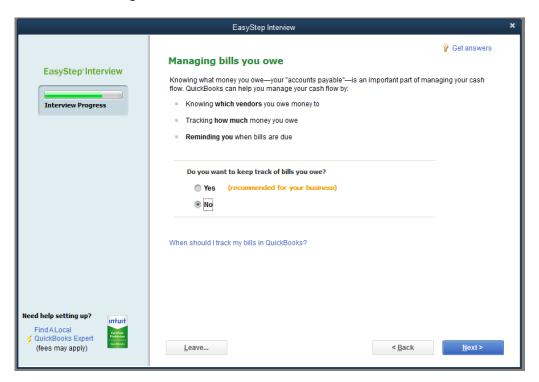
Select No to billing statements, then Next



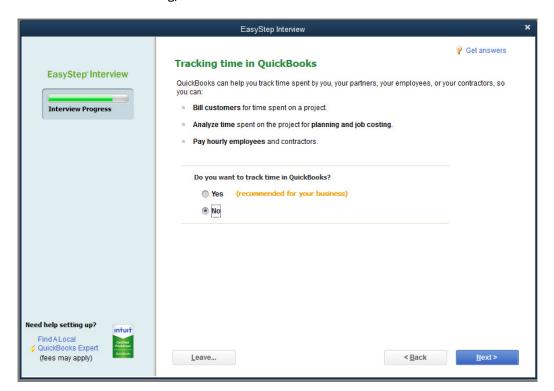
Select No to Invoicing, then Next



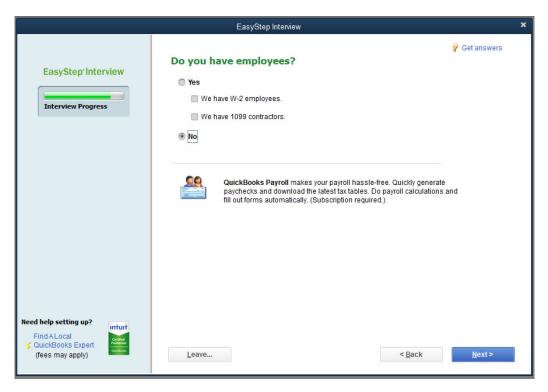
Select No to tracking bills, then Next



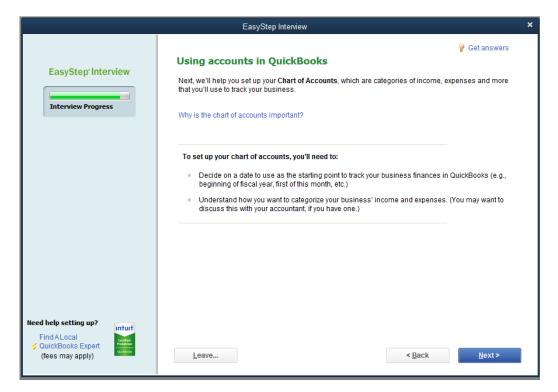
Select No to Time Tracking, then Next



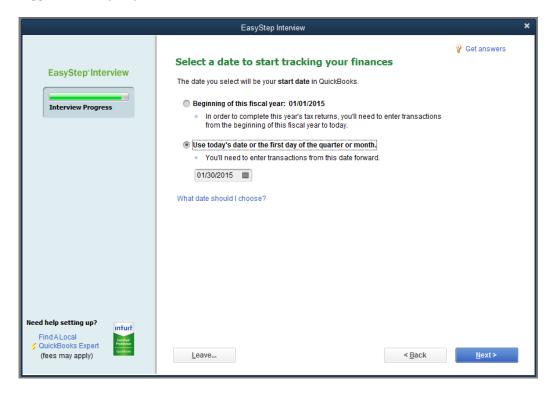
Select No to employees, then Next. The payroll subscription necessary to process payroll through QuickBooks is not an authorized expense to be paid with judicial sales fees; unless the commissioner chooses to pay personally for this option, the Employee/Payroll functions will not be used in QB.



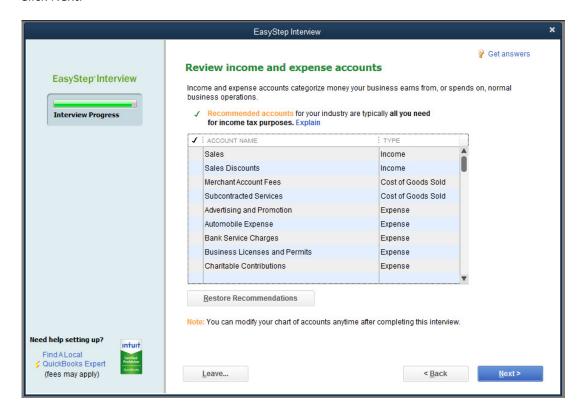
Click Next



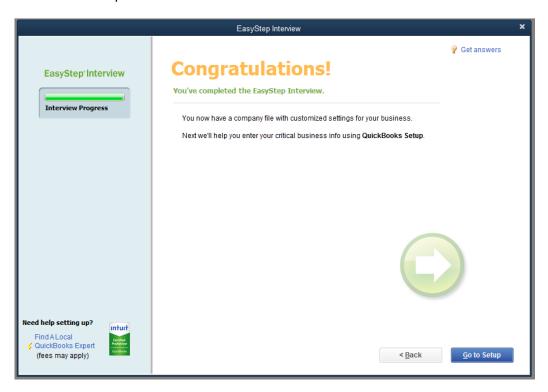
Select starting date for QB file. If new MC, this will be appointment date. If existing MC and new QB file, suggest first day of year. Click Next.



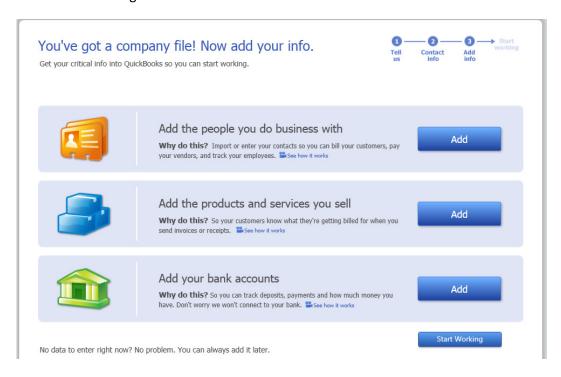
Scroll through account list and UNCHECK each item. You will create your own chart of accounts later. Click Next.



Select Go to Setup



Select Start Working

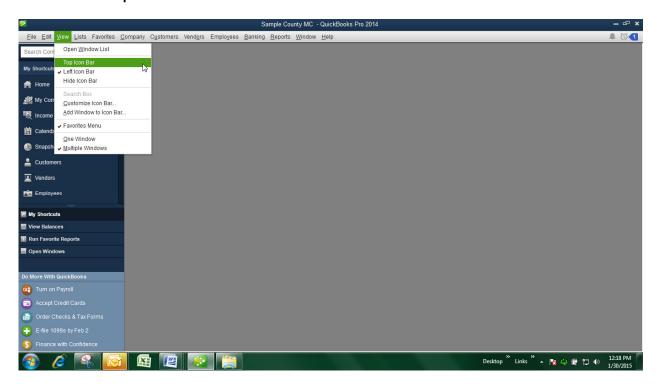


Close any dialog boxes or screens that open, until you are left with a bare desktop and left menu bar.

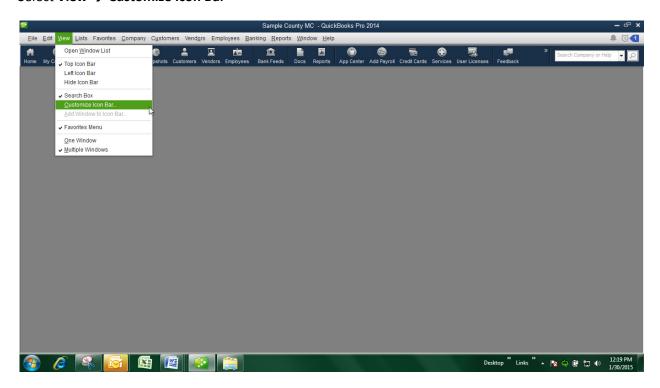


I suggest using the top icon bar instead of the left menu bar, as it is more functional and easier to customize.

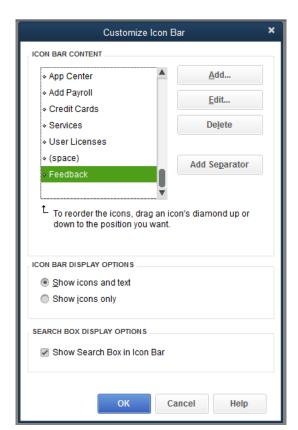
Select View → Top Icon Bar



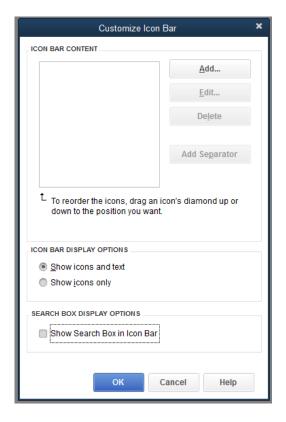
Select View → Customize Icon Bar



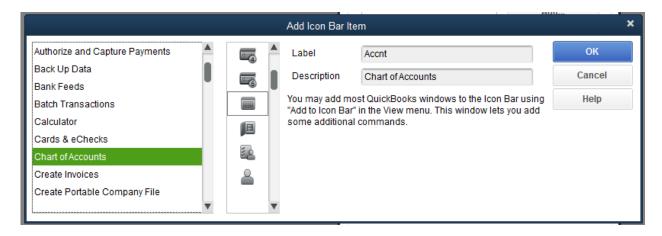
Delete all items on the list



Uncheck Show Search Box then click Add



Scroll down list and select desired icon, click OK. (Must be repeated for each item to add to bar.)



I suggest adding icons for

- Find Transactions
- Chart of Accounts
- Use Register
- Write Checks
- Print Checks (if checks are to be printed from QB)

Other icons should be added, but will need to be done individually after the file is established.

Create necessary accounts.

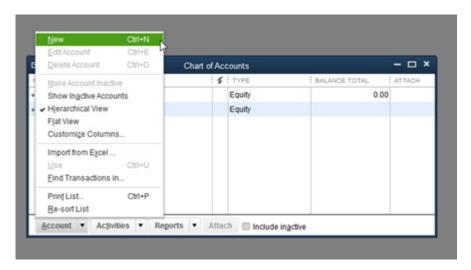
Click Accnt on the Icon Bar to open the chart of accounts



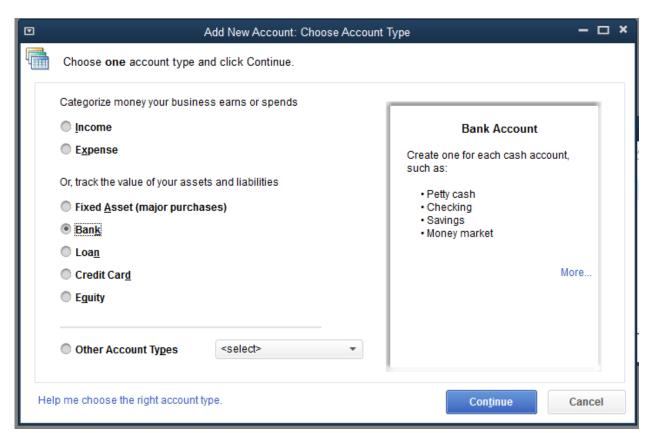
Right click on Accumulated Depreciation and select "Make Account Inactive." Repeat for Furniture and Equipment.



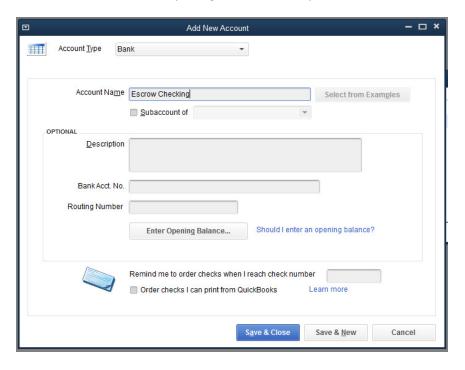
Click the Account button at bottom left of box, and select New



Select Bank, then Continue

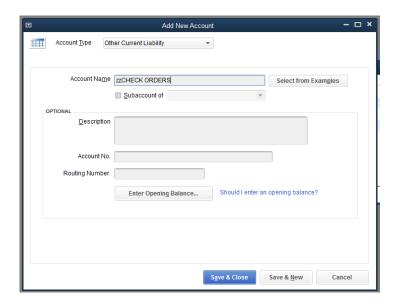


Name the Escrow account (Escrow Checking or Escrow "Bank" where "Bank" = bank name), then **Save** and **New.** –Do not enter opening balances on any account at creation.



Add another Bank Account for the Operating Account if necessary, then click **Save & New**. (You may choose to track the operating account activity in this QB file, or set up as a separate QB file. Whichever you feel will work best for you.)

If there is no Operating Account in this QB File, switch Account Type at top of screen to <u>Other Current Liability</u>, then create accounts for check printing charges/orders and interest. I recommend adding zz at the beginning to keep these accounts at the bottom of the list on reports, and not intermingled with the case funds. This just makes it easier to see case funds at a glance. Enter zzCheck Orders.



Click **Save & New** to create zzEscrow Interest. If you have a list of cases with funds, it's easier to add them now rather than one at a time later. I suggest naming the case account Defendant YY-#### (example: Case is 14-Cl-01432 Bank vs. John Doe --- account name would be Doe 14-1432).

If you are tracking operating account activity in this QuickBooks file, also add the following accounts:

- Operating Interest (Other Current Liability)
- Payroll deductions (Other Current Liability)
- Fee Revenue (Income)
- MC Salary (Expense)
- Staff Salary (Expense)
- Check Printing (Expense)

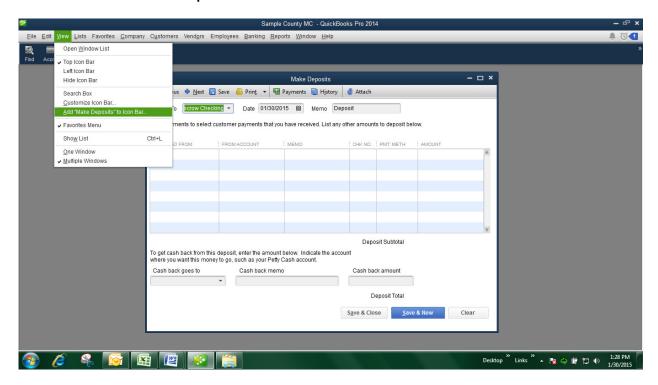
If you use a separate QuickBooks file to track operating account activity, set these accounts up in the separate file.

If you choose to personally pay for the payroll subscription service or add the MC QB file to an existing service, you may do so. However, the typical QB Payroll setup will not apply to MC or MC staff for FICA/Med withholding. There will be no employer match paid by the MC office, and payroll tax returns – other than any necessary local returns – are not filed by the MC office. Employees should be set up WITHOUT being subject to the standard SS/Medicare taxes. This will require a deliberate override in the employee setup screen. Instead of the pre-defined SS/Med taxes, create custom deductions for SS-withholding (6.2% of gross) and Med-withholding (1.45% of gross), selecting "Other" as tax tracking type. W2s will not be issued from the MC office, and therefore, this selection has no reporting effect. Federal and state income tax withholding, as well as SS/Medicare are to be calculated on gross less retirement contributions. When setting up the retirement deduction (if necessary), ensure that all four tax deductions are checked on the "taxes affected" screen.

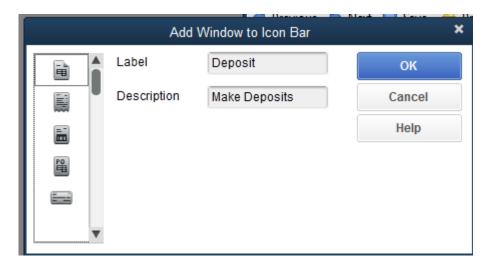
Add more icons to Icon Bar:

Click on Banking, then select Make Deposits

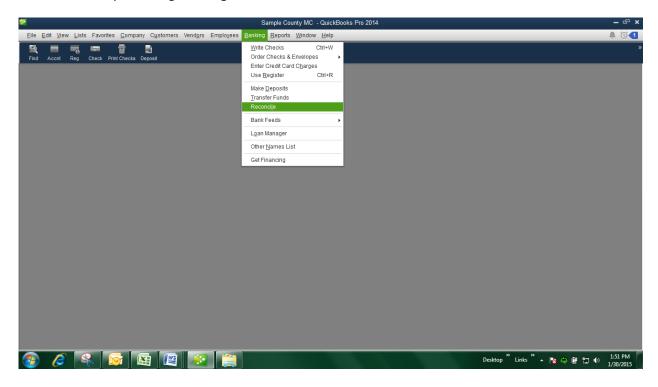
Select View → Add "Make Deposits" to Icon Bar



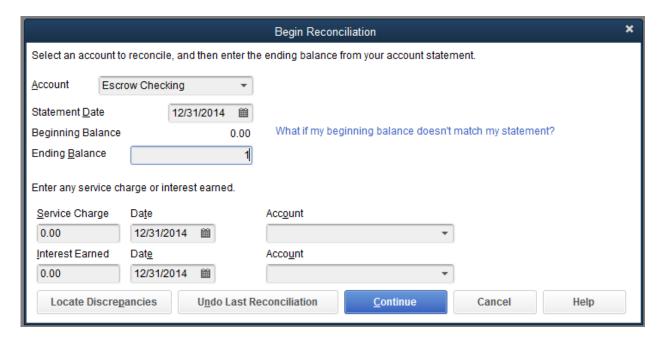
Select OK



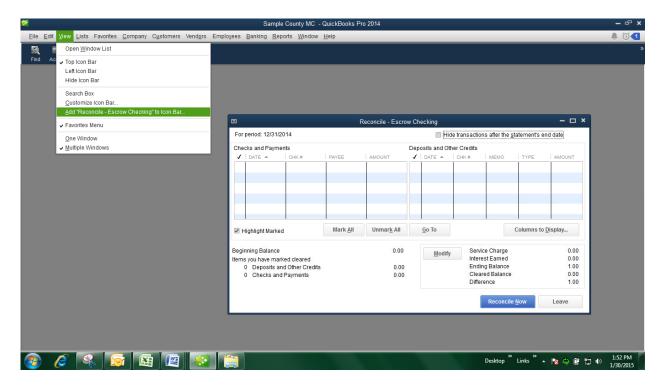
Add Reconcile by selecting **Banking** → **Reconcile**



If you have a statement to reconcile, enter the actual statement ending balance. Otherwise, enter \$1 to proceed to next screen. Click Continue.



Select View → Add "Reconcile" to Icon Bar



Click OK



Any action that you use often can be added to the Icon Bar using **View** \rightarrow **Add** *** **To Icon Bar** with the window and/or report open.