

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2020

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 20 20

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization Public Interest Legal Foundation
 Doing business as _____
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
32 E Washington St. Ste 1675
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Indianapolis, IN 46204

D Employer identification number
45-4355641

E Telephone number
317-203-5599

F Name and address of principal officer: J. Christian Adams, President
same as above

G Gross receipts \$ 3,830,315

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list. See instructions.
H(c) Group exemption number ▶ _____

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3) 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ publicinterestlegal.org

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other ▶ _____

L Year of formation: 2012 **M** State of legal domicile: IN


Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>The Org exists to provide services / representation to states and election officials, non-profit organizations, and individuals, to assist with the exercise of their civil/constitutional rights, with particular focus on voting rights. Provide education to citizens and election officials regarding election integrity</u>		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	7
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	5
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2020 (Part V, line 2a)	5	7
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	5
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<u>1,822,737</u>	<u>3,826,585</u>
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<u>16,550</u>	<u>0</u>
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<u>12,241</u>	<u>3,730</u>
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<u>1,851,528</u>	<u>3,830,315</u>
	Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	<u>0</u>
14		Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
15		Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	<u>763,665</u>	<u>851,979</u>
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<u>93,509</u>	<u>151,548</u>
b		Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <u>470,496</u>		
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	<u>936,341</u>	<u>2,351,068</u>
18		Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<u>1,793,515</u>	<u>3,354,593</u>
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<u>58,013</u>	<u>475,722</u>	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<u>1,172,172</u>	<u>1,577,846</u>
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<u>119,990</u>	<u>49,943</u>
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<u>1,052,182</u>	<u>1,527,903</u>

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer:  J. Christian Adams, President Date: 11/4/2021

Type or print name and title: _____

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶		Phone no.	
Firm's address ▶				

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The Foundation exists to provide services and representation to states and election officials, non-profit organizations, and individuals, to assist them with the exercise of their civil and constitutional rights, with particular focus on voting rights. PILF provides education to citizens and election officials regarding election integrity and the role of election process laws and how they affect policy and constitutional architecture.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 944,220 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

Provided litigation for the purpose of defending the constitutional and statutory rights of individuals and non-profit organizations from intrusion by state, federal, and local governments. Specializes in civil litigation in high-profile matters affecting the processes of the nation, with particular emphasis given to aiding the cause of election integrity and litigating against lawlessness in American elections. Additionally, volunteer attorneys contributed in-kind legal services for these cases valued at 16,750. The foundation litigated 17 fundamental cases and filed 14 Brief of Amicus in 2020.

* See Attachment 1 of this 990 for detailed case descriptions.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,783,801 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

Education and Advocacy- PILF has a focused effort to raise awareness of vital issues such as non-citizens voting, lack of citizen verification and other shortfalls in the current election process. PILF has marshalled expert resources to help educate citizens, officials and decision makers about the role of election process laws and how they affect policy and Constitutional architecture. PILF assists election officials in devising election integrity policies. PILF has responded to requests for assistance from election officials and legislatures to discuss best practices for voter roll maintenance. PILF has completed research projects and published reports regarding best practices for voter roll maintenance and regarding the consequences of lack of citizenship verification in the election process. PILF attorneys have testified before legislative bodies presenting and discussing PILF's research and reports.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 2,728,021

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors See instructions?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I See instructions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

		Yes	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	✓
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	✓
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	24a	✓
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	✓
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	✓
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	✓
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	✓
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions, for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a	✓
b	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b	✓
c	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c	✓
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29	✓
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30	✓
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31	✓
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32	✓
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33	✓
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	34	✓
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	✓
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36	✓
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37	✓
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	✓

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	25
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	✓

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

		Yes	No
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 7		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	✓	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		✓
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		✓
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		✓
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		✓
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		✓
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		✓
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		✓
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		✓
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O		
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.		✓
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.		✓

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b		
10b		
11a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b		
12a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
15		
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
16a		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b		
16b		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► See Schedule O
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain on Schedule O)
- 19** Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records ►
J. Christian Adams, Public Interest Legal Foundation, 32 E Washington St., Ste 1675, Indianapolis, IN 46204 (317) 203-5599

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) William Davis Director	2 -	✓					0	0	0	
(2) Hans von Spakovsky Director	2 -	✓					0	0	0	
(3) Dr. John Eastman Director	2 -	✓					18,813	0	0	
(4) Cleta Mitchell Chairman, Director	2 -	✓		✓			0	0	0	
(5) John Christian Adams President, General Counsel	40 -	✓		✓			162,000	0	0	
(6) Shawna L. Powell Secretary	40 -			✓			108,471	0	3,529	
(7) David Norcross Director	2 -	✓					0	0	0	
(8) Kaylan Phillips Litigation Counsel	40 -					✓	113,275	0	2,728	
(9) Noel Johnson Litigation Counsel	40 -					✓	114,001	0	2,000	
(10) Susan L. Becker Litigation Counsel	40 -					✓	106,001	0	2,000	
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees *(continued)*

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Subtotal							622,561	0	10,255	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0	0	0	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							622,561	0	10,255	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶** 5

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	✓	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		✓

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
John Christian Adams, 32 E. Washington St., STE 1675, Indianapolis, IN 46204	General Counsel	162,000
Waters Agency, Matthew Waters, 1629 K St NW Ste 300, Washington DC 20006	Digital Media	111,195
Simpatco Software Systems, Inc, 8 Atlantic Crossing, Barrington, RI 02806	Prof Data Analyst	369,413

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶** 3

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514		
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a						
	b Membership dues	1b						
	c Fundraising events	1c						
	d Related organizations	1d						
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e						
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	3,826,585					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		3,826,585					
Program Service Revenue			Business Code					
	2a							
	b							
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f All other program service revenue							
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		0						
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		3,730	0	0	3,730		
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0					
	5 Royalties		0					
	6a Gross rents	6a	(i) Real					
			(ii) Personal					
			b Less: rental expenses	6b				
			c Rental income or (loss)	6c				
	d Net rental income or (loss)		0	0	0	0		
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7a	(i) Securities					
			(ii) Other					
			b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b				
			c Gain or (loss)	7c				
	d Net gain or (loss)		0	0	0	0		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a						
			b Less: direct expenses	8b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events				0	0	0		
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a							
		b Less: direct expenses	9b					
		c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0	0	0		
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a							
		b Less: cost of goods sold	10b					
		c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0	0	0		
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code					
	11a							
	b							
	c							
	d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		0						
12 Total revenue. See instructions		3,830,315	0	0	3,730			

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	289284	194548	43,318	51418
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	430652	422196	8456	0
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	92591	83149	4721	4721
10 Payroll taxes	39452	35420	2016	2016
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal	182214	182214	0	0
c Accounting	34500	0	34500	0
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	151546			151546
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	479543	478313	1230	0
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	22569	7765	7552	7251
14 Information technology	41409	8953	31946	510
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	17129	15378	875	875
17 Travel	16262	12696	3274	292
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	4016	3347	672	0
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	7352	0	7352	0
23 Insurance	48222	38164	10058	0
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Direct Mail Expense	1257836	1006268	0	251567
b Program Direct Expenses	232144	232144	0	0
c Professional Fees	7871	7465	107	299
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	3354593	2728021	156076	470496
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	1257836	1006268	0	251567

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	942114	1	1550204
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0	2	0
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	200000	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	5000	9	2604
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	30874	10a	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	7352	10b	
		23542	10c	23522
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	1516	15	1516	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	1172172	16	1577846	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	119990	17	49943
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	0	19	0
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17–24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	0
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	119990	26	49943
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	1052182	27	1527903
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	0	28	0
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0	29	0
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0	30	0
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0	31	0
32 Total net assets or fund balances	1052182	32	1527903	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	1172172	33	1577846	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	3830315
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3354593
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	475722
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	1052182
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	0
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0
7	Investment expenses	7	0
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	-1
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	1527903

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		✓
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	✓	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.		✓
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		✓
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

2020

Open to Public Inspection

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization Public Interest Legal Foundation	Employer identification number 45-4355641
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status. (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33¹/₃% support test—2020. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 ¹ / ₃ % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33¹/₃% support test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 ¹ / ₃ % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2020. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	969,841	1,025,453	1,381,709	1,822,737	3,830,315	9,030,055
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	49,242	111,444	76,090	16,550	0	253,326
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513	23,061	9,055	11,966	0	0	44,082
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	1,042,144	1,145,952	1,469,765	1,839,287	3,830,315	9,327,463
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons	525,000	575,000	600,000	690,000	1,610,000	4,000,000
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year	38,046	97,162	61,392	0	0	196,601
c Add lines 7a and 7b	563,046	672,162	661,392	690,000	1,610,000	4,196,601
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						5,130,863

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	1,042,144	1,145,952	1,469,765	1,839,287	3,830,315	9,327,463
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources		25,000		12,241	3,730	40,971
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975		0		0	0	0
c Add lines 10a and 10b		25,000		12,241	3,730	40,971
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						0
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	1,042,144	1,170,952	1,469,765	1,851,528	3,834,045	9,368,434
14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	15	55 %
16 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	49 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2020 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	1 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	1 %
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2020. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support tests—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a	Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.		
b	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
c	Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.		
b	Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c	Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a	Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b	Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c	Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6	Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7	Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		
9a	Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b	Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c	Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a	Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.		
b	Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

		Yes	No
11	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
	11a		
b	A family member of a person described in line 11a above?		
	11b		
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI .		
	11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
	1		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		
	2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		
	1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
	1		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
	2		
3	By reason of the relationship described in line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		
	3		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1	Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).		
2	Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.		
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
	2a		
b	Did the activities described in line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
	2b		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.		
a	Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI .		
	3a		
b	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		
	3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A—Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	
Section B—Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	
Section C—Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D—Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2020 from Section C, line 6	9
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10

Section E—Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2020	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2020
1	Distributable amount for 2020 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2020 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2020		
a	From 2015		
b	From 2016		
c	From 2017		
d	From 2018		
e	From 2019		
f	Total of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2020 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2015 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2020 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2020 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2020, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2020. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2021. Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2016		
b	Excess from 2017		
c	Excess from 2018		
d	Excess from 2019		
e	Excess from 2020		

Schedule B(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
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Organization type (check one):**Filers of:****Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

- For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000; or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Supplemental Financial Statements

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply). <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area <input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶	
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶	
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶	
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$	
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.	

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.	
b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:	
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:	
a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange program
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? **Yes** **No**

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? **Yes** **No**

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

	Amount
1c Beginning balance	
1d Additions during the year	
1e Distributions during the year	
1f Ending balance	

- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? **Yes** **No**

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment %
- b** Permanent endowment %
- c** Term endowment %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i)** Unrelated organizations
- (ii)** Related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment	30874		7352	23522
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) 23522

Part VII Investments – Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)		

Part VIII Investments – Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.)	

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.)	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

**SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 8a.

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Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- a** Mail solicitations
 - b** Internet and email solicitations
 - c** Phone solicitations
 - d** In-person solicitations
 - e** Solicitation of non-government grants
 - f** Solicitation of government grants
 - g** Special fundraising events
- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? **Yes** **No**
- b** If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1 A.C. Fitzgerald & Associates, LLC PO Box 321012 Alexandria VA 22320	Consults		✓	0	56,100	0
2 ForthRight Strategy Inc. 1155 15th St NW #410, Washington, DC 20005	Direct Mail Cons		✓	1,640,355	95,446	1,544,909
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total				1,640,355	151,546	1,544,909

- 3** List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

AK, AL, AR, AZ, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts				
	2 Less: Contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses				
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				
11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶					

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		1 Gross revenue			
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No		
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶					
8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶					

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: _____
a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? Yes No
b If "Yes," explain: _____

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:

a The organization's facility	13a	%
b An outside facility	13b	%

14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶

Address ▶

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? Yes No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶

Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$

Description of services provided ▶

- Director/officer
- Employee
- Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

Part I Line 2b- Fundraising consultant, AC Fitzgerald, does not have control or custody of the funds or the authority to deposit, direct the use of, or use the funds at any time. Direct mail consultant, ForthRight Strategy Inc., does not have control or custody of the funds or the authority to deposit, direct the use of, or use the funds at any time.

AC Fitzgerald is paid a flat monthly fee for fundraising consulting, the fee is not based on the amount raised. No other fundraising expenses are paid for or to AC Fitzgerald.

ForthRight Strategy Inc. is compensated \$90 per one thousand pieces processed and mailed and paid for creative services.

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23. ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
<p>1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef)</p>		
<p>b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain</p>	1b	
<p>2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?</p>	2	
<p>3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</p>		
<p>4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:</p> <p>a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?</p> <p>b Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</p> <p>c Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement?</p> <p>If "Yes" to any of lines 4a–c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.</p>	4a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	4b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	4c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5–9.</p> <p>5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:</p> <p>a The organization?</p> <p>b Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.</p>	5a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	5b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:</p> <p>a The organization?</p> <p>b Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.</p>	6a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	6b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III</p>	7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III</p>	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?</p>	9	

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For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(C)	(F) Compensation in column (E) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reported compensation				
John Christian Adams, President 1 and General Counsel	(i) 162,000	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	162,000	0
2	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
3	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
4	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
5	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
6	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
7	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
8	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
9	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
10	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
11	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
12	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
13	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
14	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
15	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0
16	(i) 0	(ii) 0	(iii) 0	0	0	0	0

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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990 Part VI Section B. 11b; The 990 is prepared by the Secretary and Treasurer, after which it is reviewed by a CPA then presented to the Board of Directors for review. Upon approval by the Board the 990 is executed by an officer.

Part VI Section B. 12c; All officers and directors are required to read the Conflict of Interest Policy and comply with the same.

990 Part VI Section B. 15; The process for determining compensation involves a review of comparable data from like enterprises in the same region for functionally comparable services. The review is done by the independent members of the Board who then approve the compensation amount.

990 Part VI Section C. 19; Documents which are required by IRS to be available to the public are available upon request.

990 Part VI Section C 17; AK, AL, AR, AZ, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV

990 Part IX, Line 24a; Other expense- Direct Mail Expense \$ 1,257,838 Itemization:

\$688,732 Printing & Mailshop, \$415,048 Postage, \$34,955 Data Processing, \$43,280 List Rental, \$49,339 Caging, \$ 22,047 Credit Card Fees, \$4,437 Bank Charges

990 Part IX, Line 24b; Other expense- Program Direct Expense \$ 232,144 Itemization:

\$3,878 Court Costs, \$13,352 Research/Data Acquisition, \$464 Educational Material, \$6,496 Printing, \$9,291 Litigation Support Services, \$198,863 Digital Media

990 Part XI, Line 9 Other changes in net assets or fund balance: \$ 1 rounding discrepancy

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- ***League of Women Voters, et al. v. Newby, et al.*** (U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia)
 - The Foundation continued in its role as an intervenor in this lawsuit regarding the Election Assistance Commission's acceptance of requests by Alabama, Georgia, and Kansas to modify their state-specific instructions on the National Mail Voter Registration Form to include state citizenship proof requirements. The states want the federal form to include state proof-of-citizenship requirements.
 - The lawsuit, brought by the League of Women Voters, among other groups, seeks to enjoin the January 29, 2016 EAC decision to update the Federal Form to include the State's proof-of-citizenship requirements.

- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Ann Harris Bennett*** (U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit in federal court against the Voter Registrar in Harris County, Texas for failure to permit inspection of public voter roll maintenance records concerning potential non-United States citizens, as required by federal law.
 - The case is aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with state and federal law.
 - In March 2020, the Voter Registrar agreed to entry of an order that requires her office to provide to the Foundation seven years of voter list maintenance records. The Foundation sought attorneys' fees and costs, which were awarded in 2021.

- ***Ann Harris Bennett v. Paxton*** (459th District Court in Travis County, Texas)
 - The Voter Registrar in Harris County, Texas sued the Texas Attorney General under state open records law seeking to shield from public disclosure certain voter roll maintenance records sought by the Foundation. The Foundation moved to intervene in the case.
 - In 2019, the Foundation moved to dismiss the Voter Registrar's case.
 - In 2021, the Voter Registrar voluntarily dismissed the case.
 - This case is aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with state and federal law.

- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Boockvar, et al.*** (U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit in federal court against the Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Deputy Secretary for Elections and Commissions, for

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failure to permit inspection of public voter roll maintenance records concerning potential non-United States citizens, as required by federal law.

- In December of 2019, the court denied the defendants' motion to dismiss, rejecting the argument that the inspection rights under federal law are limited to records concerning deceased and relocated registrants. In 2021, the Foundation filed a motion for summary judgment, which remains pending before the court.
 - The case is aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with federal law.
- ***True the Vote v. Internal Revenue Service*** (U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia)
 - In 2013, the Foundation filed a lawsuit in federal court on behalf of True the Vote, whose application for a federal tax exemption was systematically targeted by the IRS with unwarranted and unconstitutional scrutiny for over three years.
 - The Foundation's lawsuit successfully forced the IRS to formally recognize True the Vote's tax-exempt status. The parties reached a settlement, disposing of the case in True the Vote's favor.
 - In early 2018, True the Vote sought attorneys' fees and costs, including fees and costs incurred by the Foundation. The matter is still pending.
 - ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. North Carolina State Board of Elections*** (U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Executive Director of the North Carolina State Board of Elections for failure to permit inspection of public voter roll maintenance records concerning potential non-United States citizens, as required by federal law.
 - The district court granted the Board's motion to dismiss and the Foundation appealed the decision to Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, which vacated the dismissal and remanded the case for further proceedings. The case remains ongoing.
 - The case is aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with federal law.
 - ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Janice M. Winfrey, in her official capacity as Detroit City Clerk, et al.*** (U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit under Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act against the City of Detroit for failing to reasonably maintain voter registration records under federal and Michigan law.
 - The case is aimed at bringing Michigan into compliance with federal voter roll maintenance standards.

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- In June 2020, the Foundation dismissed the matter because Defendants and the Michigan Secretary of State subsequently acted on data provided to them by the Foundation.
- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Linda Lamone, et al.*** (U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Maryland State Board of Elections under Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act to compel disclosure Maryland's statewide voter roll and voting history records.
 - In August 2020, the State Board agreed to settle the case under terms that required the State Board to produce to the Foundation the statewide voter roll and certain voting histories.
 - The case was aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with federal law.
- ***Woodruff v. Philadelphia County Board of Elections*** (County of Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas)
 - The Foundation sought a writ of mandamus seeking to ensure Philadelphia election officials complied with and enforced the requirements of the Pennsylvania Election Code.
 - On November 2, 2020, the court denied the petition for writ of mandamus.
- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Boockvar, et al.*** (U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania)
 - In October 2020, the Foundation filed a lawsuit under Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for failing to reasonably maintain voter registration records.
 - The Foundation recently found at least 21,000 apparently deceased registrants on Pennsylvania's voter rolls in the final weeks of the 2020 Election cycle.
 - In 2021, the parties reached a settlement agreement under which Pennsylvania agreed to identify deceased registrants and direct all county election commissions to remove the names of deceased registrants. The terms of the settlement also required Pennsylvania to pay a portion of the Foundation's attorneys' fees.
- ***Aguilera and Does I-X v. Fontes*** (Superior Court of Arizona)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Maricopa County Recorder and the Board of Supervisors seeking a court order to vindicate their voting rights.
 - The Plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed their claims without prejudice pursuant to Ariz. R. Civ P. 41(a)(1)(A)(i).

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- ***Reed v. Virginia Dept. of Elections*** (Circuit Court of the County of Frederick, Virginia)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit seeking declaratory and injunctive relief to enforce Virginia statutes governing the acceptance of absentee ballots received after election date with no postmarks.
 - On October 28, 2020, the Court ruled for the Foundation’s client in a preliminary injunction hearing that Virginia could not accept and count late absentee ballots missing postmarks if USPS barcodes could not indicate date of mailing.
 - On January 13, 2021, the court entered a consent decree that requires late ballots missing postmarks be rejected. If a late-arriving ballot contains an illegible postmark but USPS barcodes do not indicate a late mailing, it can be accepted.

- ***In re Juan Gerardo Perez Pichardo and Public Interest Legal Foundation*** (Court of Appeals for the Fourteenth District of Texas and the Supreme Court of Texas)
 - The Foundation sought writs of mandamus to compel the Harris County (Texas) Voter Registrar to uniformly challenge or reject voter registration applications featuring any answer other than “YES” to the question: “Are you a citizen of the United States?”

- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Benson*** (U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Michigan Secretary of State under Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act to compel the release voting history files for Southfield, Michigan. Specifically, the Foundation sought records involving 193 allegedly altered voter history files from November 2018 that led to six felony charges against Southfield City Clerk.
 - Once the Foundation received the documents requested, it dismissed the case without prejudice.

- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Illinois SBE*** (U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Illinois State Board of Elections under Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act to compel disclosure of Illinois’s statewide voter roll.
 - The case is aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with federal law.
 - The case is ongoing.

- ***North Carolina NAACP et. al. v. Cooper et. al.*** (U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina)
 - The Foundation moved to intervene to defend North Carolina’s increased allowance for at-large citizen election observer rights on behalf of client Voter Integrity Project–NC.

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- In the fall of 2021, the court denied the motion.
- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Allegheny County Board of Elections*** (U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Allegheny County, PA Board of Elections for failure to reasonably maintain voter rolls, as required by federal law.
 - The Foundation reached a favorable settlement with Allegheny County to create an information-sharing agreement that allows for voter registration roll list maintenance leads and feedback.
- ***Public Interest Legal Foundation v. Bellows*** (U.S. District Court for the District of Maine)
 - The Foundation filed a lawsuit against the Maine Secretary of State under Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act to compel disclosure of Maine’s statewide voter roll.
 - The case is aimed at providing transparency in government concerning the processes designed to keep the voters rolls in compliance with federal law.
 - The case is ongoing.

Amicus Briefs

- ***AZ Public Integrity Alliance v. Fontes*** (Superior Court of Arizona – Maricopa County)
 - *Amicus* brief filed in case to block voted paper ballots from being spoiled under new rules in Maricopa County, Arizona.
- ***Fay v. Merrill*** (Connecticut Supreme Court)
 - *Amicus* brief filed in support of lawsuit seeking an injunction against automatic blanket circulation of mail ballots in light of COVID-19.
- ***Zignego v. Wisconsin Elections Commission*** (Supreme Court of Wisconsin)
 - *Amicus* brief filed in a case to ensure appropriate voter registration roll list maintenance actions are taken.
- ***The New Georgia Project v. Raffensperger*** (U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia)
 - *Amicus* brief filed opposing demands to strip Georgia’s absentee voter protections in light of COVID-19 and provides insight into apparently outdated voter registration records.

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- ***Fisher v. Hargett*** (Supreme Court of Tennessee)
 - *Amicus* brief filed in case to preserve the powers of the Tennessee Legislature on matters governing the conduct of elections in light of COVID-19.

- ***Democracy NC et. al. v. NCSBE*** (U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina)
 - *Amicus* brief filed in case to seeking to cut absentee voter protections in North Carolina in light of COVID-19.

- ***Issa v. Newsom*** (U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California)
 - *Amicus* brief filed opposing request to automate the transmission of mail ballots in California in light of COVID-19.

- ***RNC v. Newsom*** (U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California)
 - *Amicus* brief filed opposing request to automate the transmission of mail ballots in California in light of COVID-19.

- ***Mark Brnovich, Attorney General of Arizona, et al. v. Democratic National Committee, et al. (U.S. Supreme Court)***
 - *Amicus* brief on behalf of the Foundation and former Department of Justice Civil Rights Division officials arguing that there must be a causal connection between a state election practice and actual denial of a vote on account of race versus a disparate impact for a violation of Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.
 - In 2021, the Supreme Court ruled that Section 2 violations require a causality analysis.

- ***Texas Democratic Party v. Greg Abbott (U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas)***
 - *Amicus* brief filed regarding accusations of voter intimidation against the State of Texas.

- ***Texas Democratic Party v. Greg Abbott (U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit)***
 - *Amicus* brief filed regarding accusations of voter intimidation against the State of Texas.

- ***League of Women Voters of Virginia v. Virginia State Board of Elections (U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia)***
 - *Amicus* brief filed opposing removal of Virginia's witness requirement on mail voting materials on an emergency basis in light of COVID-19.

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- ***Riddle v. Oliver*** (Supreme Court of New Mexico)
 - *Amicus* brief filed opposing request for all-mail voting in New Mexico on an emergency basis in light of COVID-19.

- ***Gleason v. Padilla*** (Court of Appeal for the State of California)
 - *Amicus* brief filed in support of appellant's position that California is failing to follow the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 and the Help America Vote Act of 2002.