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Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation

Note: The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No 1545-0052

2008

For calendar year 2008, or tax year beginning , 2008, and ending , 20

G Check all that apply: [ ] Initial return [ ] Final return [ ] Amended return [ ] Address change [ ] Name change

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.

Name of foundation: CHICAGO SOCIETY FOUNDATION

A Employer identification number: 36-4326978

Number/street (or P O box no. if mail is not delivered to street add.): 3939 N LAWNDALE AVE | Room/suite

B Telephone number (see the instructions): 773-267-0560

City or town, state, and ZIP code: CHICAGO IL 60618

C If exemption application is pending, check here ▶ [ ]

D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ▶ [ ]
2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ▶ [ ]

H Check type of organization: [X] Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
[ ] Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust [ ] Other taxable private foundation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ▶ [ ]

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) ▶ $ 351,833.

J Accounting method [X] Cash [ ] Accrual
[ ] Other (specify)
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ▶ [ ]

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), & (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instr))

	Line	Description	(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc, received (attach schedule)	7,451.			
	2	Check ▶ [X] if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3	Interest on savings and temp cash investments	15,946.	15,946.		
	4	Dividends and interest from securities	221.	221.		
	5a	Gross rents				
	b	(Net rental income or (loss))				
	6a	Net gain/(loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	(718.)			
	b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV line 2)				
	8	Net short-term capital gain				
	9	Income modifications				
	10a	Gross sales less rtns & allowances				
	b	Less Cost of goods sold				
	c	Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11	Other income (attach schedule)	74,344.			
	12	Total. Add lines 1 through 11	97,244.	16,167.		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc				
	14	Other employee salaries and wages				
	15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a	Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b	Accounting fees (attach schedule)	200.			
	c	Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17	Interest	256.			
	18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	218.			
	19	Depreciation (attach sch) and depletion				
	20	Occupancy				
	21	Travel, conferences, and meetings	1,937.			
	22	Printing and publications				
	23	Other expenses (attach schedule)	50,112.			
	24	Total operating and administrative expenses Add lines 13 through 23	52,723.			
	25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	16,000.			
	26	Total exp & disbursements Add lines 24 and 25	68,723.			
	27	Subtract line 26 from line 12.				
	a	Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	28,521.			
	b	Net investment income (if neg, enter -0-)		16,167.		
	c	Adjusted net income (if neg, enter -0-)				

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Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see the instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2008, enter the date of the ruling ▶

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section [ ] 4942(j)(3) or [ ] 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			
	(a) 2008	(b) 2007	(c) 2006	(d) 2005	(e) Total
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test - enter: (1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed	11,229.				11,229.
c "Support" alternative test - enter: (1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had $5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year - see the instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a *List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than $5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)*

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ▶ [X] if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see the instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed:

WALTER PIECIEWICZ 708-386-3933 211 E CHICAGO OAK PARK IL 60302-

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:

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c Any submission deadlines:

JANUARY 1, APRIL 1, OCTOBER 1, JANUARY 1

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

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DECLARATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the return identified in this letter, including any accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete. I understand that this declaration will become a permanent part of that return.

Signature of Officer or Trustee — 9/25/09
Date

Accountant for Board
Title