



See a Social Security Number? Say Something!
Report Privacy Problems to <https://public.resource.org/privacy>
Or call the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490



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

2009Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

For calendar year 2009, or tax year beginning , and ending

G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Final return
☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name change

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.	Name of foundation ZERON FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 16-1429495
	Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	B Telephone number (716) 853-8671
	City or town, state, and ZIP code BUFFALO, NY 14201		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
	H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 2,414,176. (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)		J Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____	E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐ 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), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received				N/A	
2 Check ☒ If the foundation is not required to attach Sch B					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments		4,775.	4,775.		STATEMENT 1
4 Dividends and interest from securities		21,957.	21,957.		STATEMENT 2
5a Gross rents					
b Net rental income or (loss)					
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10		<256,139.>			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 830,523.					
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)					
8 Net short-term capital gain					
9 Income modifications					
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances					
b Less: Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss)					
11 Other income		5,025.	0.		STATEMENT 3
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11		<224,382.>	26,732.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.		0.	0.		0.
14 Other employee salaries and wages					
15 Pension plans, employee benefits					
16a Legal fees					
b Accounting fees STMT 4		3,500.	1,750.		1,750.
c Other professional fees					
17 Interest					
18 Taxes STMT 5		276.	276.		0.
19 Depreciation and depletion					
20 Occupancy					
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings					
22 Printing and publications					
23 Other expenses STMT 6		7,584.	7,334.		250.
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23		11,360.	9,360.		2,000.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		177,100.			177,100.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25		188,460.	9,360.		179,100.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		<412,842.>			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			17,372.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				N/A	

3P

Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only		Beginning of year	End of year	
				(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing		2,563.		
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		11,193.	132,243.	132,243.
	3	Accounts receivable				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts				
	4	Pledges receivable				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts				
	5	Grants receivable				
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	7	Other notes and loans receivable				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts				
	8	Inventories for sale or use				
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges				
	10a	Investments - U.S. and state government obligations	STMT 7	129,415.	134,748.	123,960.
	b	Investments - corporate stock	STMT 8	1,388,295.	1,634,082.	2,068,305.
	c	Investments - corporate bonds				
11	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis					
	Less accumulated depreciation					
12	Investments - mortgage loans					
13	Investments - other	STMT 9	857,449.	75,000.	89,668.	
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis					
	Less accumulated depreciation					
15	Other assets (describe)					
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers)		2,388,915.	1,976,073.	2,414,176.	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses				
	18	Grants payable				
	19	Deferred revenue				
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable				
	22	Other liabilities (describe)				
23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		0.	0.		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24	Unrestricted				
	25	Temporarily restricted				
	26	Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		3,916,156.	3,916,156.	
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund		0.	0.	
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds		<1,527,241.>	<1,940,083.>	
	30	Total net assets or fund balances		2,388,915.	1,976,073.	
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		2,388,915.	1,976,073.	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	2,388,915.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	<412,842.>
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize)	3	0.
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	1,976,073.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize)	5	0.
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	1,976,073.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	P	VARIOUS	VARIOUS
b PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	P	VARIOUS	VARIOUS
c CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 217,546.		224,670.	<7,124.>
b 603,291.		861,992.	<258,701.>
c 9,686.			9,686.
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
a			<7,124.>
b			<258,701.>
c			9,686.
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	<256,139.>
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	N/A

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see instructions before making any entries.

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2008	363,890.	2,933,123.	.124062
2007	151,700.	3,565,085.	.042552
2006	216,700.	3,220,937.	.067279
2005	259,514.	2,945,906.	.088093
2004	249,263.	2,954,096.	.084379

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	.406365
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	.081273
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2009 from Part X, line 5	4	2,077,883.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	168,876.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	174.
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	169,050.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.	8	179,100.

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)

1a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b.		1	174.
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b)			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	0.
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	174.
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	0.
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	174.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2009 estimated tax payments and 2008 overpayment credited to 2009	6a	560.	
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	560.	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	386.	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2010 estimated tax	11	0.	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see instructions for definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. \$ 0.		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		N/A
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV.	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <u>NY</u>		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	X	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2009 or the taxable year beginning in 2009 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	X	

Website address **N/A**

14 The books are in care of **THOMAS R. BEECHER, JR.** Telephone no. **716-853-8671**
 Located at **120 W. TUPPER ST, BUFFALO, NY** ZIP+4 **14201**

15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here ☐
 and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year **15** **N/A**

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.)	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 20 of the instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here	N/A	1b
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009?		1c
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)):		
a At the end of tax year 2009, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2009? If "Yes," list the years	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.)	N/A	2b
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here.		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2009 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2009.)	N/A	3b
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		4a
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009?		4b

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

- (1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here

▶ ☐

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

☐ Yes ☒ No

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

7b

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 10		0.	0.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

▶ 0

Form 990-PF (2009)

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	1,989,638.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	119,888.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	2,109,526.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0.
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	2,109,526.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	31,643.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	2,077,883.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	103,894.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	103,894.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5	2a	174.
b	Income tax for 2009. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	174.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	103,720.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	103,720.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	103,720.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	179,100.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	179,100.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	5	174.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	178,926.

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2008	(c) 2008	(d) 2009
1 Distributable amount for 2009 from Part XI, line 7				103,720.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2009:				
a Enter amount for 2008 only			0.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2009:				
a From 2004	102,082.			
b From 2005	115,191.			
c From 2006	59,332.			
d From 2007				
e From 2008	218,304.			
f Total of lines 3a through e	494,909.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2009 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ \$	179,100.			
a Applied to 2008, but not more than line 2a			0.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2009 distributable amount				103,720.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	75,380.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2009 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	570,289.			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2008. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2009. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2010				0.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2004 not applied on line 5 or line 7	102,082.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2010. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	468,207.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2005	115,191.			
b Excess from 2006	59,332.			
c Excess from 2007				
d Excess from 2008	218,304.			
e Excess from 2009	75,380.			

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

N/A

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2009, 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)

2 a 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

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

Tax year

Prior 3 years

(a) 2009

(b) 2008

(c) 2007

(d) 2006

(e) Total

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).)

SEE STATEMENT 11

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.

NONE**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**

Check here ☐ 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 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:

THOMAS R. BEECHER JR
120 W. TUPPER STREET, BUFFALO, NY 14201

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

SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT

c Any submission deadlines:

SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT

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

SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.		Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income	
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclu- sion code	(d) Amount			
1 Program service revenue:							
a _____							
b _____							
c _____							
d _____							
e _____							
f _____							
g Fees and contracts from government agencies ..							
2 Membership dues and assessments							
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	4,775.			
4 Dividends and interest from securities			14	21,957.			
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:							
a Debt-financed property							
b Not debt-financed property							
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property							
7 Other investment income							
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	<256,139.>			
9 Net income or (loss) from special events							
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory							
11 Other revenue:							
a FEDERAL TAX REFUND		5,025.					
b _____							
c _____							
d _____							
e _____							
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)		5,025.		<229,407.>		0.	
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)					13	<224,382.>	

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

[illegible]

Part XVII

Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

1	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any of the other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?		Yes	No
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:			
	(1) Cash	1a(1)		X
	(2) Other assets	1a(2)		X
b	Other transactions:			
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(1)		X
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(2)		X
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets	1b(3)		X
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements	1b(4)		X
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees	1b(5)		X
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations	1b(6)		X
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	1c		X
d	If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.			

[illegible]

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule.		
(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
N/A		

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 taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer or trustee 		Date <u>5/3/16</u>		Title TRUSTEE	
	Preparer's signature 		Date <u>4/29/16</u>		Check if self-employed ☐	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP code SZYMKOWIAK & ASSOCIATES CPAS, PC 333 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE, SUITE A-2 WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221				Preparer's identifying number PO0141361	
	EIN 13-1413611				Phone no. 716-626-2626	

Form **990-PF** (2009)



B. MELLON

ZERON FOUNDATION - BTYF00240002

ZERON FOUNDATION

EIN: 16-1429495

December 31, 2009

Report ID: IAC80017

Base Currency: USD

Status: FINAL

FIXED INCOME SECURITIES

U.S. DOLLAR

UNITED STATES

117,898.000 US TREAS-CPI INFLATION INDEX
912828BD1 1.875%007/16/2013 DD 07/16/03

105.3200
105.3200

134,748.41
134,748.41

1,019.29
1,019.29

123,989.53
123,989.53

5.13

-10,788.86
-10,788.86

20,780.787 VANGUARD FIXED INC SECS FD INC
922031838 SHORT TERM CORP FD ADMIRAL SHS

10.5900
10.5900

387,804.82
387,804.82

0.00
0.00

220,088.32
220,088.32

9.11

-187,898.50
-187,898.50

182,072.78

SUBTOTAL UNITED STATES

1,019.29
1,019.29

344,027.86
344,027.86

14.24

-178,885.36
-178,885.36

Worksheet: Bonds

Asset and Accrual Detail - By Asset type

Report ID: IAC80017
Base Currency: USD
Status: FINAL

B. V. MELLON

ZERON FOUNDATION - BTYF00240002

FIN 16-1429495

12/31/2009

		522,713.23	1,019.29	344,027.86	-178,886.38
TOTAL FIXED INCOME SECURITIES U.S. DOLLAR		522,713.23	1,019.29	344,027.86	-178,886.38
TOTAL FIXED INCOME SECURITIES		522,713.23	1,019.29	344,027.86	-178,886.38
EQUITY					
U.S. DOLLAR					
GLOBAL FUNDS GEOGRAPHIC FOCUS					
10,824.144 LEUTHOLD FDS INC ASSET	9.7700	119,760.70	0.00	106,761.89	-14,008.81
52728806 ALLOCATION FD INSTL CL	9.7700	119,760.70	0.00	106,761.89	-14,008.81
5,752.878 THORNBURG INVT TR INTL VALUE	26.3700	115,000.00	0.00	145,950.46	30,950.46
885215588 FD CL I	26.3700	115,000.00	0.00	145,950.46	30,950.46
SUBTOTAL GLOBAL FUNDS GEOGRAPHIC FOCUS		234,760.70	0.00	261,702.36	16,941.88
UNITED STATES		234,760.70	0.00	261,702.36	16,941.88
10,548.523 ASTON FDS ASTON RIV RD SMALL	8.1100	75,000.00	0.00	85,548.52	10,548.52
00080Y884 MID CAP FD CL I	8.1100	75,000.00	0.00	85,548.52	10,548.52
7,838.252 BLAIR WILLIAM MUT FDS INC INTL	18.9500	125,510.37	0.00	148,553.83	23,043.46
093001774 GROWTH FD CL I	18.9500	125,510.37	0.00	148,553.83	23,043.46
8,324.870 FAIRHOLME FDS INC	30.0800	219,348.68	0.00	250,495.34	31,146.66
304871108 COM	30.0800	219,348.68	0.00	250,495.34	31,146.66
10,328.390 HEARTLAND GROUP INC SELECT	24.8900	195,000.00	0.00	267,073.63	62,073.63
422352866 VALUE FD INSTL CL	24.8900	195,000.00	0.00	267,073.63	62,073.63



B.L. MELLON

ZERON FOUNDATION - BTYF00240002

EIN - 16-1429495

12/31/2009

Asset and Accrual Detail - By Asset type

Report ID: IAC80017

Base Currency: USD

Status: FINAL

1,744,188 ROWE PRICE NEW ERA FD INC 779559103 COM	43.6300	60,000.00	0.00	76,098.84	18,098.84
	43.6300	60,000.00	0.00	76,098.84	18,098.84
12,661,736 ROYCE FD OPPORTUNITY FD 780905832	9.0300	80,000.00	0.00	116,141.48	38,141.48
	9.0300	80,000.00	0.00	116,141.48	38,141.48
16,293,279 SENTINEL FDS SMALL CO FD CL I 817288825	6.3700	80,000.00	0.00	103,788.19	23,788.19
	6.3700	80,000.00	0.00	103,788.19	23,788.19
17,201,059 VANGUARD FENWAY FDS PRIMECAP 921921508 CORE FD INVS SHS	12.1100	160,000.00	0.00	208,304.82	48,304.82
	12.1100	160,000.00	0.00	208,304.82	48,304.82
5,051,582 VANGUARD CAPITAL OPPORTUNITY 922038500 FD	69.3900	198,568.97	0.00	350,529.27	151,960.30
	69.3900	198,568.97	0.00	350,529.27	151,960.30
SUBTOTAL UNITED STATES		① 1,193,428.00	0.00	② 1,596,533.92	403,105.92
		1,193,428.00	0.00	1,596,533.92	403,105.92
TOTAL EQUITY U.S. DOLLAR		1,428,188.70	0.00	1,848,236.27	420,047.57
		1,428,188.70	0.00	1,848,236.27	420,047.57
TOTAL EQUITY		1,428,188.70	0.00	1,848,236.27	420,047.57
OTHER					
U.S. DOLLAR					
UNITED STATES					
3,812,717 FPA FDS TR FPA CRESCENT 302541759 PORTFOLIO INSTL CL SHS	24.8200	75,000.00	0.00	89,667.84	14,667.84
	24.8200	75,000.00	0.00	89,667.84	14,667.84

20 1634081.02 20 2008,304.39

THE ZERON FOUNDATION
THEATER PLACE
BUFFALO, NY 14202

Purpose. The Zeron Foundation is a charitable non-profit trust organized under the law of New York and approved as an organization described under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Zeron Foundation focuses its grant making in the following areas:

1. Financial aid to high schools and colleges for students based on need and excellence.
2. Charities in the Western New York area whose purpose is to improve the health and life of the recipient.

Eligibility. To qualify for a grant, the applicant must be a certified U.S. tax exempt organization whose work falls within the areas outlined above.

Proposals. Proposals in duplicate should be in the form of a letter limited to four pages and signed by an officer of the organization and should include:

1. A brief summary of the history, purpose and goals of the applying organization.
2. The specific purpose of the grant and the amount requested.
3. Total cost of the specific project.
4. Amounts pledged to the specific project from other organizations and, where significant, the names of such other organizations.
5. Dates at which funds will be required.

Attachments.

1. A copy of the organization's most recent audited financial statement.
2. A list of the current directors of the organization.
3. A copy of the tax exemption certificate from the Internal Revenue Service.

Deadline. The Board of Trustees of the Zeron Foundation meets in the last week of November each year. The deadline for receipt of proposals to be considered at the next meeting is the 15th of September.

Monitoring. The Foundation requires of all grant recipients:

1. Semi-annual progress reports.
2. An annual financial accounting of grant disbursements.

FORM 990-PF INTEREST ON SAVINGS AND TEMPORARY CASH INVESTMENTS STATEMENT 1

SOURCE	AMOUNT
BANK OF NY	4,752.
US TREASURY	23.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 3, COLUMN A	4,775.

FORM 990-PF DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES STATEMENT 2

SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	COLUMN (A) AMOUNT
BANK OF NY	31,643.	9,686.	21,957.
TOTAL TO FM 990-PF, PART I, LN 4	31,643.	9,686.	21,957.

FORM 990-PF OTHER INCOME STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
FEDERAL TAX REFUND	5,025.	0.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11	5,025.	0.	

FORM 990-PF ACCOUNTING FEES STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
ACCOUNTING FEES	3,500.	1,750.		1,750.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	3,500.	1,750.		1,750.

FORM 990-PF

TAXES

STATEMENT

5

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
FOREIGN TAXES	276.	276.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	276.	276.		0.

FORM 990-PF

OTHER EXPENSES

STATEMENT

6

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
NYS FILING FEES	250.	0.		250.
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES	5,156.	5,156.		0.
BANK FEES	2,178.	2,178.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	7,584.	7,334.		250.

FORM 990-PF

U.S. AND STATE/CITY GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS

STATEMENT

7

DESCRIPTION	U.S. GOV'T	OTHER GOV'T	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT	X		134,748.	123,960.
TOTAL U.S. GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS			134,748.	123,960.
TOTAL STATE AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS				
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10A			134,748.	123,960.

FORM 990-PF	CORPORATE STOCK	STATEMENT	8
-------------	-----------------	-----------	---

DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT	1,634,082.	2,068,305.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	1,634,082.	2,068,305.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INVESTMENTS	STATEMENT	9
-------------	-------------------	-----------	---

DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT	COST	75,000.	89,668.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		75,000.	89,668.

FORM 990-PF	PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS TRUSTEES AND FOUNDATION MANAGERS	STATEMENT	10
-------------	---	-----------	----

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN- SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
PAMELA R. JACOBS 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
CHRISTOPHER L. JACOBS 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
LUKE T. JACOBS 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
LAWRENCE D. JACOBS, JR. 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
JESSICA H. ENSTICE 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.

ZERON FOUNDATION

16-1429495

MATTHEW ENSTICE 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
ELIZABETH R. JACOBS 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
DANIELLE JACOBS 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
STEPHANIE JACOBS 120 WEST TUPPER BUFFALO, NY 14201	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.
TOTALS INCLUDED ON 990-PF, PAGE 6, PART VIII		0.	0.	0.

FORM 990-PF

PART XV - LINE 1A
LIST OF FOUNDATION MANAGERS

STATEMENT 11

NAME OF MANAGERCHRISTOPHER L. JACOBS
LUKE T. JACOBS
LAWRENCE D. JACOBS, JR.
JESSICA H. ENSTICE
ELIZABETH R. JACOBS

Organization: Zeron Foundation
 TTN: 16-1429495
 Tax Year Ended: December 31, 2009

The following information is provided in accordance with IRC Sec. 4945 (h)(3) and Reg. 53.4945-5(d) to demonstrate that the foundation exercised fiscal responsibility in regard to its grants.

[illegible]

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

The Annual Report of the Zeron Foundation for the year ended December 31, 2009 is available for public inspection at 120 W. Tupper Street, Buffalo, New York 14201 (716) 853-8871, during regular business hours by any citizen who requests inspection within 180 days of publication thereof.

Zeron Foundation

10-0686

apr29