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Form 990-EZ

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No 1545-1150

2009

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2009, and ending 06-30-2010

B Check if applicable

Address change

Name change

Initial return

Terminated

Amended return

Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization

THE ADHESION SOCIETY

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)Room/suite

2 DAVIDSON HALL

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

BLACKSBURG, VA 24061

D Employer identification number

34-1287412

E Telephone number

(540) 231-7257

F Group Exemption Number

▶ Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method

Cash

Accrual

 Other (specify) ▶ MODIFIED ACCRUAL

H Check

if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website:▶ NA

J Tax-Exempt status (check only one)—

501(c)(3)

(Insert no)

4947(a)(1)

or

527

K Check

if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000 A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 90,894

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I)															
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received						1	1,227						
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts						2	77,845						
	3	Membership dues and assessments						3	10,560						
	4	Investment income						4	1,262						
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory				5a		5c	0						
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				5b	0								
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)													
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here						6c	0						
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _of contributions reported on line 1)				6a	0								
	b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses				6b	0								
Expenses	c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)													
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances				7a		7c	0						
	b	Less cost of goods sold				7b	0								
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)													
	8	Other revenue (describe)						8	0						
	9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8 ▶						9	90,894						
	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)						10							
	11	Benefits paid to or for members						11							
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits						12							
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors						13							
Net Assets	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance						14							
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping						15							
	16	Other expenses (describe)						16	125,611						
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶						17	125,611						
	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)						18	-34,717						
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)						19	84,822						
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)						20							
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶						21	50,105						
Part II Balance Sheets—If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ															
(See the instructions for Part II)															
22 Cash, savings, and investments						(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year								
23 Land and buildings						60,839	22	28,756							
24 Other assets (describe)							23								
25 Total assets						23,983	24	21,349							
26 Total liabilities (describe)						84,822	25	50,105							
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) .							26								
						84,822	27	50,105							

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Part VOther Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	33	No
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	34	No
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033 (e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	35a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	35b	
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	No
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶	37a	
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	No
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?	38a	No
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ _____, section 4912 ▶ _____, section 4955 ▶ _____		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it 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	40b	No
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 . . . ▶ _____		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e	No
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ _____		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ PAUL CLARK _____ Telephone no ▶ (860) 571-5154 216 WEST MOUNTAIN RD Located at ▶ WEST SIMSBURY, CT _____ ZIP + 4 ▶ 06092		
b	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)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .	42b	No
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____	42c	No
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes", Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.	44	No
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes", Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.	45	No

Part VI

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only.
All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

46	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	Yes	No
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		No
48	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		No
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		No
49b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				

50(f) Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

51(d) Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

Please Sign Here	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.			
	***** Signature of officer		2010-11-15 Date	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	PAUL CLARK, TREASURER Type or print name and title			
	Preparer's signature	TIMOTHY SINES	Date	Check if self-employed ☒
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4			Preparer's identifying number (See instructions)
	SINES & ASSOCIATES 178 THOMAS JOHNSON DR 204 FREDERICK, MD 21702			EIN Phone no
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ☒ Yes ☐ No				

SCHEDULE A

(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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. ▶ See separate instructions.

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2009

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Name of the organization THE ADHESION SOCIETY	Employer identification number 34-1287412
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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 11, check only one box)

- 1

☐

A church, convention of churches, or association of churches **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2

☐

A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E)
- 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 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)
- 10

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See**section 509(a)(4).**
- 11

☐

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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h

a

☐

Type I

b

☐

Type II

c

☐

Type III - Functionally integrated

d

☐

Type III - Other
- e

☐

By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f

☐

If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g

☐

Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

(i)

a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization?

(ii)

a family member of a person described in (i) above?

(iii)

a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h

☐

Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support?
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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						0

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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						0
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income (Explain in Part IV) Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets						
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						

12

Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)

12

13

First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14	Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	0 %
15	Public Support Percentage for 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	

16a

33 1/3% support test—2009. 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

b

33 1/3% support test—2008. If the organization did not check the 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

17a

10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b

10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part IIISupport Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 509(a)(2)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	17,990	19,050	14,925	9,684	10,560	72,209
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	121,715	115,829	111,520	69,048	77,915	496,027
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	139,705	134,879	126,445	78,732	88,475	568,236
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						568,236

Section B. Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	139,705	134,879	126,445	78,732	88,475	568,236
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	943	3,866	3,344	1,385		9,538
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	943	3,866	3,344	1,385		9,538
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12.)						577,774
14 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here	☐					

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage		
15 Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	98.350 %
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	98.260 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage		
17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	1.650 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	1.740 %
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2009. 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	☐	
b 33 1/3% support tests—2008. 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	☐	
20 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions	☐	

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 34-1287412
Name: THE ADHESION SOCIETY

Form 990EZ, Part IV - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(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 & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
PAUL CLARK 216 WEST MOUNTAIN ROAD WEST SIMSBURY,CT 06092	TREAS 1 00	0		
STEPHANIE NESBITT 515 MICHELIN RD GREENVILLE,SC 29602	PRESIDENT 1 00	0		
LEONARDO LOPEZ 1702 BLDG MIDLAND,MI 48674	SECRETARY 1 00	0		
KEN SHULL NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY EVANSTON,IL 60208	VP 1 00	0		

TY 2009 Other Assets Schedule**Name:** THE ADHESION SOCIETY**EIN:** 34-1287412

Description	Beginning of Year Amount	End of Year Amount
CASH ADVANCES	8,432	3,728
Investments	15,551	17,621

TY 2009 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: THE ADHESION SOCIETY

EIN: 34-1287412

Description	Amount
General & Administrative	31,222
Annual Meeting	68,681
Future Annual Meeting	
Short Courses	7,013
Newsletter	
Proceedings of Meeting	18,695

TY 2009 Other Revenues Schedule

Name: THE ADHESION SOCIETY

EIN: 34-1287412

Description	Amount
MISCELLANEOUS	
PROCEEDING SALES	
ENDOWMENT FUND	