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Form 990

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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)

OMB No. 1545-0047

2010

Open to Public
Inspection

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

A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning JUL 1, 2010 and ending JUN 30, 2011

B Check if applicable

Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

P.O. BOX 9140

D Employer identification number

13-1659623

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

BOULDER, CO 80301

E Telephone number

303-357-1019

F Name and address of principal officer: JOHN W. HESS

SAME AS C ABOVE

G Gross receipts \$ 14,119,116.

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) ► (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

J Website: ► WWW.GEOSOCIETY.ORG

H(b) Are all affiliates included? Yes No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ►

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other ►

L Year of formation: 1888 M State of legal domicile: NY

Part I Summary

1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICAS WAS FOUNDED TO ADVANCE THE SCIENCE OF GEOLOGY.	
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)	
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	
5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a)	
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	
7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	
		3 16
		4 16
		5 55
		6 200
		7a 0.
		7b -9,291.
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3,4, and 7d)	
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	
12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	
		Prior Year Current Year
		871,587. 803,729.
		4,152,798. 4,355,809.
		-422,117. 666,519.
		1,904,365. 1,700,830.
		6,506,633. 7,526,887.
		1,248,171. 1,269,906.
		0. 0.
		3,107,989. 3,992,439.
		0. 0.
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 7,862.	
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	
19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	
		3,006,327. 2,391,953.
		7,362,487. 7,654,298.
		-855,854. -127,411.
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	
22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	
		Beginning of Current Year End of Year
		22,908,481. 27,064,716.
		2,592,710. 2,447,088.
		20,315,771. 24,617,628.

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 JOHN W. HESS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title	Date 23 January 2012			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name SUSAN R. JOHNSON	Preparer's signature Susan R. Johnson	Date 1/20/12	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN
	Firm's name BROCK AND COMPANY, CPAS, P.C.			Firm's EIN ►	
	Firm's address 3711 JFK PARKWAY, #315 FORT COLLINS, CO 80525			Phone no.	970-223-7855

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

 Yes No

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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III 1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA WAS FOUNDED TO ADVANCE THE SCIENCE OF GEOLOGY, ENHANCE THE PROFESSIONAL GROWTH OF ITS MEMBERS AND TO PROMOTE THE GEOSCIENCES IN THE SERVICE OF HUMANKIND AND STEWARDSHIP OF THE EARTH.

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 exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses.

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ 1,898,100. including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 2,418,389.)

THE ORGANIZATION SPONSORS AN ANNUAL MEETING FOR ITS MEMBERS IN THE FALL. NINE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY TWO PEOPLE ATTENDED THIS YEARS FISCAL MEETING. SMALLER MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE SPRING. MEMBERS ATTEND TO MEET WITH DIVISION, SECTION AND ASSOCIATED SOCIETY MEMBERS. THEY PARTICIPATE IN FIELD TRIPS, TECHNICAL SESSIONS, SHORT COURSES AND CONFERENCES CONCERNING TOPICS IN THE FIELD OF GEOLOGY.

4b (Code _____) (Expenses \$ 2,420,177. including grants of \$ 1,679,672.) (Revenue \$ 645,922.)

EDUCATION, OUTREACH AND GRANTS - INVOLVEMENT IN HEIGHTENING PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF AND APPRECIATION FOR GEOSCIENCES BY WORKING WITH SCIENTISTS, TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THERE ARE ALSO PROGRAMS AND SHORT COURSES RUN BY SECTIONS AND DIVISIONS. THE ORGANIZATION GRANTS FUNDS FOR RESEARCH AND TRAVEL TO UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE, AND POST-DOC STUDENTS AND SUPPORTS A NUMBER OF AWARDS AND MEDALS TO RECOGNIZE EXCELLENCE. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 1,100 RECEIPIENTS OF THESE GRANTS AND AWARDS ANNUALLY.

4c (Code _____) (Expenses \$ 599,920. including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 624,428.)

THE MEMBERSHIP SERVICES PROGRAM INCLUDES THE COST OF MAINTAINING THE SOCIETY'S MEMBERSHIP FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS MEMBERS AND TO ADVANCE THEIR PROFESSIONALISM, RESEARCH AND CAREERS. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 23,400 MEMBERS ANNUALLY.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ 447,432. including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 2,367,900.)

4e Total program service expenses ► 5,365,629.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)?
If "Yes," complete Schedule A

2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?

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

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

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

6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where 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

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

8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III

9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; 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

10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V

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

- Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI
- 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
- 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
- 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
- Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X
- 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

12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII

- 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, XII, and XIII is optional

13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?

- Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV

15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV

16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV

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

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

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

20a Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H

- If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statements to this return? **Note.** Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions)

	Yes	No
1	X	
2	X	
3		X
4		X
5	N/A	
6		X
7		X
8	X	
9		X
10	X	
11a	X	
11b	X	
11c		X
11d		X
11e		X
11f	X	
12a		X
12b	X	
13		X
14a		X
14b	X	
15		X
16		X
17		X
18		X
19		X
20a		X
20b		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	X
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	X
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 25	24a	X
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) and 501(c)(4) 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	X
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	X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	X
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)	28a	X
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b	X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c	X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	29	X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30	X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	31	X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	32	X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	33	X
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	34	X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1	35	X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? a 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	36	X
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	37	X
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	38	X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O		

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	415
1b	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	X
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	55
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)	2b	X
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	X
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)?	4a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	5a	X
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5b	X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5c	
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	6a	X
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?	6b	
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	7a	X
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).	7b	
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?	7c	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7d	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7e	X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7f	X
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7g	N/A
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7h	N/A
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	8	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	9a	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	9b	
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.	N/A	
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	N/A	
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	N/A	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:	10a	
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10b	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	11a	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter	11b	
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	N/A	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	12a	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12b	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	N/A	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.	N/A	
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	13a	
	Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13b	
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	13c	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	14a	X
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14b	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	Form 990 (2010)	

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 in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year **16**
 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent **16**

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? **2 X**

3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? **3 X**

4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? **4 X**

5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? **5 X**

6 Does the organization have members or stockholders? **6 X**

7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? **7a X**
 b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? **7b X**

8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:
 a The governing body? **8a X**
 b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? **8b X**

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 in Schedule O **9 X**

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

10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?
 b If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization? **10a X**
10b X

11a Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?
 b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990 **11a X**

12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13
 b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?
 c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done **12a X**
12b X
12c X
13 X
14 X

13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy? **13 X**

14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? **14 X**

15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?
 a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official
 b Other officers or key employees of the organization
 If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions) **15a X**
15b X

16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?
 b If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? **16a X**
16b X

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **NONE**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available Check all that apply
 Own website Another's website Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization. ► **THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC. - 303-357-1019**
P.O. BOX 9140, BOULDER, CO 80301

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors
 Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question 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

List persons in the following order individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons.

 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 (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)					(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			
DR. JOAQUIN RUIZ <u>PRESIDENT</u>	3.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
DR. JEAN M. BAHR <u>PAST PRESIDENT</u>	3.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
DR. JOHN W. GEISSMAN <u>VICE PRESIDENT</u>	3.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
DR. JONATHAN G. PRICE <u>TREASURER</u>	3.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
MS. MONICA E GOWAN <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. BRIAN R PRATT <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. LISA D. WHITE <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. BRUCE R. CLARK <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. JACQUELINE E. HUNTOON <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. MURRAY W. HITZMAN <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. VICTOR A. RAMOS <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. BARBARA L. DUTROW <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. G. RANDY KELLER <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. CLAUDIA I. MORA <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. J. DOUGLAS WALKER <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. DANIEL LARSEN <u>COUNCILOR</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
MARGARET DAVINO <u>NY LEGAL COUNSEL - NON VOTE</u>	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)					(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			
ADRIENNE McNAMARA <u>CO LEGAL COUNSEL - NON VOTE</u>	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.
DR. MARK CLOOS <u>INT'L SECRETARY - NON-VOTING</u>	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.
JOHN W. HESS <u>EX OFFICIO, NON-VOTING SECRETARY</u>	40.00		X				186,057.	0.	27,056.
CRAIG SCHIFFRIES <u>DIRECTOR OF GEOSCIENCE POLICY</u>	40.00			X			132,717.	0.	13,181.
JON OLSEN <u>SENIOR DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS</u>	40.00			X			106,386.	0.	14,326.
TODD BERGGREN <u>SENIOR DIRECTOR OF IT</u>	40.00			X			106,509.	0.	17,245.
1b Sub-total						►	531,669.	0.	71,808.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A						►	0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)						►	531,669.	0.	71,808.

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ► 4

	Yes	No
3		X
4	X	
5		X

3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual

5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

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 **NONE**

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ► 0		

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts					
1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
b Membership dues	1b				
c Fundraising events	1c				
d Related organizations	1d	555,537.			
e Government grants (contributions)	1e	248,192.			
f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		803,729.			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code			
2 a MEETINGS	900099	2,418,389.	2,418,389.		
b EDUCATION & OUTREACH	611710	728,709.	728,709.		
c MEMBERSHIP DUES	900099	624,428.	624,428.		
d SECTIONS & DIVISIONS	900099	584,283.	584,283.		
e					
f All other program service revenue					
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		4,355,809.			
Other Revenue					
3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		► 620,402.			620,402.
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
5 Royalties		►			
6 a Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
b Less: rental expenses					
c Rental income or (loss)					
d Net rental income or (loss)					
7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	3525532.	650,000.			
c Gain or (loss)	4116001.	13,414.			
d Net gain or (loss)	-590469.	636,586.	► 46,117.		46,117.
8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		►			
9 a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		►			
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	3892750.			
b Less cost of goods sold	b	2462814.			
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		► 1,429,936.	1,429,936.		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code			
11 a MISCELLANEOUS	900099	167,769.	167,769.		
b SPONSORSHIPS	900099	103,125.	103,125.		
c					
d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		► 270,894.			
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		► 7,526,887.	6,056,639.	0.	666,519.

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) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

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 governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22.	1,269,906.	1,269,906.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	228,806.	84,658.	144,148.	
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	2,954,390.	728,804.	2,225,586.	
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	231,949.		231,949.	
9 Other employee benefits	360,197.	162,689.	197,508.	
10 Payroll taxes	217,097.	57,447.	159,650.	
11 Fees for services (non-employees).				
a Management				
b Legal	27,101.	11,535.	15,566.	
c Accounting	57,760.		57,760.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	55,482.		55,482.	
g Other	616,013.	317,049.	291,102.	7,862.
12 Advertising and promotion	48,655.	12,864.	35,791.	
13 Office expenses	221,497.	129,729.	91,768.	
14 Information technology	32,044.	2,107.	29,937.	
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	210,392.	1,800.	208,592.	
17 Travel	481,941.	357,072.	124,869.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	764,897.	734,878.	30,019.	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	189,363.	16,000.	173,363.	
23 Insurance	50,186.	10,503.	39,683.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f. If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O.)				
a COGS	509,241.	11,086.	498,155.	
b BUILDING REPAIR ENDOWME	409,765.	409,765.		
c FOUNDATION SUPPORT	390,316.		390,316.	
d CREDIT CARD FEES	234,624.	6,854.	227,770.	
e AV SERVICES	120,794.	112,458.	8,336.	
f All other expenses	-2,028,118.	928,425.	-2,956,543.	
25 Total functional expenses Add lines 1 through 24f	7,654,298.	5,365,629.	2,280,807.	7,862.
26 Joint costs. Check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720). Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	237.	1	9,371.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	40,548.	2	121,962.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	352,881.	4	598,772.
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L			
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions)			
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		6	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	301,961.	8	306,979.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	275,083.	9	254,202.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment. cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 5,595,159.		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 3,048,247.	10c 2,491,483.	10c 2,546,912.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	18,915,569.	11	18,751,769.
	12 Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11	530,719.	12	4,374,341.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	0.	15	100,408.
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	22,908,481.	16	27,064,716.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	631,966.	17	606,855.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	1,954,347.	19	1,840,233.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	6,397.	25	0.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	2,592,710.	26	2,447,088.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,190,497.	27	4,770,936.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	14,240,889.	28	15,962,307.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	3,884,385.	29	3,884,385.
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	20,315,771.	33	24,617,628.
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	22,908,481.	34	27,064,716.

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	7,526,887.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,654,298.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-127,411.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	20,315,771.
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	4,429,268.
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	24,617,628.

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual 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?
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
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 in Schedule O
d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis

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 in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a	*	*
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a	X	
3b	X	

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.

Employer identification number

13-1659623

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 described in 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 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)

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(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		
Total							

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2010

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) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(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) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(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 IV.)						
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 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 2010 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%

16a **33 1/3% support test - 2010.** 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 - 2009.** 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 ►

17a **10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2010.** 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 - 2009.** 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 ►

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 ►

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 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) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	1459966.	1334328.	1343204.	871,587.	803,729.	5812814.
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	7420485.	9852608.	11607786.	8031629.	8248559.	45161067.
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	8880451.	11186936.	12950990.	8903216.	9052288.	50973881.
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0.
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						262,317.
c Add lines 7a and 7b						262,317.
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						50711564.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	8880451.	11186936.	12950990.	8903216.	9052288.	50973881.
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	1269725.	575,392.	648,022.	501,774.	620,402.	3615315.
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	1269725.	575,392.	648,022.	501,774.	620,402.	3615315.
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.)	231,466.	109,195.	105,128.			445,789.
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)	21,460.	162,176.	218,064.	203,241.	270,894.	875,835.
14 First five 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 2010 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	90.70	%
16 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	90.49	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2010 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	6.47	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	7.00	%

19a **33 1/3% support tests - 2010.** 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 - 2009.** 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.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10, Part II, line 17a or 17b, and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information (See instructions)

SCHEDULE A, PART III, LINE 12, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

OTHER INCOME

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,

Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate 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? Yes 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? Yes No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area
 Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure
 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
2a	
2b	
2c	
2d	

a Total number of conservation easements
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register

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? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, 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)? Yes No

9 In Part XIV, 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" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (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 XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (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) Revenues included in 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 SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenues included in 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 are a 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 programs

e Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

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" to 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 XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

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

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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	12,648,118.	12,109,543.	17,382,740.		
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	768,922.	540,499.	-3,793,197.		
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	13,417,040.	12,648,118.	12,109,543.		
	1,924.		1,480,000.		

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ► %

b Permanent endowment ► 29.00 %

c Term endowment ► 71.00 %

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

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

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

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

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		428,065.		428,065.
b Buildings		3,906,902.	1,907,344.	1,999,558.
c Leasehold improvements		89,557.	89,557.	0.
d Equipment		1,170,635.	1,051,346.	119,289.
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) ► 2,546,912.

Part VII Investments - Other Securities. 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) LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS	2,419,845.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(B) REAL ESTATE	1,263,642.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(C) PRIVATE EQUITY PORTFOLIO	690,854.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ►	4,374,341.	

Total (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ►

Part VIII Investments - Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		

Total (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13.) ►

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) ►

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25

(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.) ►

FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740)

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Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	7,526,887.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,654,298.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-127,411.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	4,152,166.
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	359,889.
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	-82,787.
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 through 8	9	4,429,268.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	4,301,857.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	14,059,080.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	4,152,166.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	2,462,814.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	6,614,980.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	7,444,100.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	82,787.
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	82,787.
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	7,526,887.

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	10,117,112.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25.		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	2,462,814.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	2,462,814.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	7,654,298.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	7,654,298.

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information

PART III, LINE 4: COLLECTIONS AND RELATION TO EXEMPT PURPOSE - THE**PENROSE COLLECTION IS TO BE HELD IN PERPETUITY FOR EXHIBIT, RESEARCH,****EDUCATION, AND AS A MEMORIAL TO R.A.F. PENROSE, JR.****PART V, LINE 4: INTENDED USES FOR ENDOWMENTS FUNDS - THE ENDOWMENT****FUNDS SUPPORT THE EXEMPT ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION.****PART X, LINE 2: THE ORGANIZATION HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF ASC**

Part XIV Supplemental Information (continued)

740, PERTAINING TO ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES. THE PRONOUNCEMENT REQUIRES THE USE OF A MORE-LIKELY-THAN-NOT RECOGNITION CRITERIA BEFORE AND SEPARATE FROM THE MEASUREMENT OF A TAX POSITION. AN ENTITY SHALL INITIALLY RECOGNIZE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT EFFECTS OF A TAX POSITION WHEN IT IS MORE LIKELY THAN NOT, BASED ON THE TECHNICAL MERITS, THAT THE POSITION WILL BE SUSTAINED UPON EXAMINATION. WITH RESPECT TO THE ORGANIZATION, THIS WOULD PRIMARILY RELATE TO THE DETERMINATION OF UNRELATED BUSINESS TAXABLE INCOME, AND TO THE MAINTENANCE OF ITS TAX EXEMPT STATUS.

MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED THE ADOPTED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED TO PROVIDE ASSURANCE THAT INCOME IS PROPERLY CHARACTERIZED AND ACTIVITIES THAT JEOPARDIZE ITS TAX EXEMPT STATUS ARE WITHIN LIMITS ESTABLISHED UNDER EXISTING TAX CODE AND REGULATIONS.

MANAGEMENT HAS DETERMINED THE EFFECTS OF UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS ARE NOT MATERIAL TO THE ORGANIZATION FOR RECOGNITION OR DISCLOSURE IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND, ACCORDINGLY, NO INCOME TAX LIABILITY HAS BEEN RECORDED FOR UNCERTAIN INCOME TAX POSITIONS IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

ALL INCOME TAX YEARS OPEN FOR EXAMINATION ARE SUBJECT TO TAXATION AT CORPORATE TAX RATES. THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010, 2009, AND 2008 ARE AVAILABLE FOR EXAMINATION AT JUNE 30, 2011. ADDITIONALLY, PENALTIES AND INTEREST MAY BE ASSESSED ON INCOME TAXES THAT ARE DELINQUENT. THE ASSESSMENT OF UNCERTAIN INCOME TAXES IS SUBJECT TO ESTIMATE, AND IT IS REASONABLY POSSIBLE THAT THE ESTIMATE MAY CHANGE IN THE NEAR TERM AND THE CHANGE MAY BE MATERIAL.

PART XI, LINE 8 - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:**BOOK TO TAX PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS****-82,787.**

Part XIV Supplemental Information (continued)**PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:****PUBLICATIONS - COST OF SALES****PART XII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:****PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS****PART XIII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:****PUBLICATIONS - COST OF SALES**

SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Statement of Activities Outside the United States**

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GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.**13-1659623****Part I: General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.1 For grantmakers. Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds outside the United States

3 Activities per Region. (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
EUROPE	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICE	CO-SPONSORED A GEOSCIENCE MEETING IN TURKEY.	108,195.
3 a Sub-total	0	0			108,195.
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I	0	0			0.
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)	0	0			108,195.

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Schedule F (Form 990) 2010

Part II. Grants and Other

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000.

Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter

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3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States

Part IV Foreign Forms

1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, *Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation* (see *Instructions for Form 926*) Yes No

2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 3520, *Annual Return to Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts*, and/or Form 3520-A, *Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner* (see *Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A*) Yes No

3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, *Information Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Corporations* (see *Instructions for Form 5471*) Yes No

4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, *Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund*. (see *Instructions for Form 8621*) Yes No

5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, *Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships* (see *Instructions for Form 8865*) Yes No

6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5713, *International Boycott Report* (see *Instructions for Form 5713*) Yes No

Part V Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds), Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method), Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method), and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

SCHEDULE F, PART I, LINE 3: GAAP

Part III: Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
STIPEND FOR GEOCORPS PARTICIPANTS THAT VOLUNTEER THEIR SERVICES AT OUR NATIONAL PARKS, NATIONAL FORESTS, AND BLM LANDS	187	477,663.	0.		
RESEARCH GRANTS FOR STUDENTS	222	531,893.	0.		
AWARDS TO OUTSTANDING GEOSCIENTISTS TO FURTHER ADVANCE THE SCIENCE	51	104,744.	0.		
SECTIONS AND DIVISIONS AWARDS ARE PRIMARY FOR STUDENT TRAVEL TO ATTEND MEETINGS	597	103,182.	0.		
FIELD CAMP AWARDS FOR STUDENTS TO ATTEND WYOMING FIELD CAMP TO FURTHER THEIR SKILLS AS GEOLOGISTS	13	34,000.	0.		
Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.					

SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2: GEOCORPS PROGRAM - PARTICIPANTS ARE MONITORED

WHILE IN THE FIELD AND ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT AT THE COMPLETION OF THE ASSIGNMENT.

TRAVEL GRANTS - STUDENTS MUST PHYSICALLY BE PRESENT AT THE TRAVELED-TO EVENT TO PICK UP THEIR CHECK AT THE EVENT/MEETING.

RESEARCH GRANTS - ALL STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO FILL OUT A PROGRESS REPORT BY MARCH 31 OF EACH YEAR WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AFTER THE FUNDS ARE DISTRIBUTED.

FIELD CAMP AWARDS IS MONITORED BY ATTENDANCE

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

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

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,

Part IV, line 23.

► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items

<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)

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

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment from the organization or a related organization?

b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?

c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?

If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

a The organization?

b Any related organization?

If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

a The organization?

b Any related organization?

If "Yes" to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in 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

9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		X
4b	X	
4c	X	
5a		X
5b	X	
6a		X
6b	X	
7		X
8	X	
9		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2010

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in 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 are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name	(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)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 JOHN W. HESS	(i) 186,057.	0.	0.	0.	27,056.	213,113.	0.
2	(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
3	(i)						
4	(i)						
5	(i)						
6	(i)						
7	(i)						
8	(i)						
9	(i)						
10	(i)						
11	(i)						
12	(i)						
13	(i)						
14	(i)						
15	(i)						
16	(i)						

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES INCLUDE: PUBLISHING AND DISTRIBUTING SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE, PROVIDING INFORMATION AND MATERIALS FOR PRIMARY LEVEL SCIENCE EDUCATION AND FURNISHING INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT EARTH SCIENCE EDUCATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT. OTHER PROGRAMS INCLUDE PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY MEMBERS IN SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS AND SCIENCES.

EXPENSES \$ 447,432. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 2,367,900.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6: MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOCIETY CONSISTS OF HONORARY FELLOWS, FELLOWS, MEMBERS AND AFFILIATES ALL OF WHOM HAVE FULL AND EQUAL VOTING RIGHTS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A: OFFICERS AND COUNCILORS ARE THEN DULY ELECTED AT REGULAR INTERVALS FROM THE VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B: THE MEMBERS DO VOTE ON SOME OF THE COUNCILORS' DECISIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS WOULD BE THE SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11: THE FORM 990 IS E-MAILED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THEIR REVIEW AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ORGANIZATION FILES THE RETURN.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C: THE ORGANIZATION'S COUNCILORS (BOARD MEMBERS) ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE ANNUALLY ANY INTEREST THAT COULD

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GIVE RISE TO CONFLICTS. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE MAINTAINS THESE FILES. THE ORGANIZATION'S STAFF ALL HAVE READ THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND HAVE A SIGNED CONFLICT OF INTEREST INFORMATION FORM ON FILE WHICH THEY UPDATE WHEN NECESSARY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15: EMPLOYEES ARE REVIEWED SEMI-ANNUALLY. THEIR COMPENSATION LEVEL IS REVIEWED ANNUALLY. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HAS AN ANNUAL CONTRACT WHICH IS REVIEWED AND IF ACCEPTED, RENEWED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION. THE COUNCIL WILL DETERMINE ANNUALLY IF THE BUDGET ALLOWS FOR RAISES. WHEN HIRING NEW EMPLOYEES, THE COUNCIL USES MARKET SURVEYS FOR SIMILAR POSITIONS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CODE OF CONDUCT, AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE ON ITS WEBSITE. ITS FOUNDING DOCUMENTS, FORM 990 AND 990-T ARE AVAILABLE ON GUIDESTAR AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

<u>NET UNREALIZED GAINS ON INVESTMENTS:</u>	<u>4,152,166.</u>
<u>PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS:</u>	<u>359,889.</u>
<u>BOOK TO TAX PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS</u>	<u>-82,787.</u>
<u>TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5</u>	<u>4,429,268.</u>

FORM 990- PART XII, LINE 2C

AUDIT COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT

THERE ARE NO CHANGES IN THE AUDIT COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OR ITS SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT.

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.

► Attach to Form 990.

► See separate instructions.

► Attach to Form 990.

Name of the organization

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.

Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part V, line 33.)

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Employer identification number
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Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.)

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Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, 35a, or 36.)**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a Receipt of **(i)** interest **(ii)** annuities **(iii)** royalties or **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity
- b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)
- c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)
- d Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)
- e Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)

f Sale of assets to other organization(s)**g** Purchase of assets from other organization(s)**h** Exchange of assets**i** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)**j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)**k** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)**l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)**m** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets**n** Sharing of paid employees**o** Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses**p** Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses**q** Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)**r** Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (arr)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) GSA FOUNDATION INC	B	409,765.CASH	
(2) GSA FOUNDATION INC	C	609,836.CASH	
(3) GSA FOUNDATION INC	N	260,316.HISTORICAL PAYROLL	
(4) GSA FOUNDATION INC	M	130,000.HISTORICAL SPACE USED	
(5) GSA FOUNDATION INC	Q	54,800.CASH	
(6)			

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

Part VII: Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Application for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return

► File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form).

► **Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for *Charities & Nonprofits*.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed)

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete

►

Part I only

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns

Type or print	Name of exempt organization	Employer identification number
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.	13-1659623
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions	P.O. BOX 9140
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions	BOULDER, CO 80301

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

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Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 990-EZ	03	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.

- The books are in the care of ► **P.O. BOX 9140 - BOULDER, CO 80301**

Telephone No ► **303-357-1019** FAX No ►

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) If this is for the whole group, check this box ► If it is for part of the group, check this box ► and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

►

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until

FEBRUARY 15, 2012, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension

is for the organization's return for.

► calendar year or► tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2010**, and ending **JUN 30, 2011**2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	0.
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	0.
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System) See instructions	3c	\$	0.

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions

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