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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)

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2010

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2010 and ending 09-30-2011

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

VERMONT LEGAL AID INC

Doing Business As

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

PO BOX 1367

Room/suite

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

BURLINGTON, VT 05402

F Name and address of principal officer

ERIC AVILDSSEN  
PO BOX 1367  
BURLINGTON,VT 05402

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?

☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all affiliates included?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

H(c) Group exemption number

I Tax-exempt status

☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) ( ) ☐ (Insert no ) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website:

WWW.VTLEGALAID.ORG

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Year of formation

1966

M State of legal domicile

VT

Part I Summary

|                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Activities & Governance                                                                                                                  | <div>1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities</div> <div>TO PROVIDE FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO VERMONTERS WHO ARE LOW-INCOME, ELDERLY AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES</div> |           |           |
|                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |           |
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|                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |           |
| 2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |           |
| Revenue                                                                                                                                  | 3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)                                                                                                                                     | 3         | 13        |
|                                                                                                                                          | 4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)                                                                                                                         | 4         | 13        |
|                                                                                                                                          | 5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a)                                                                                                                          | 5         | 89        |
|                                                                                                                                          | 6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)                                                                                                                                                    | 6         | 15        |
|                                                                                                                                          | 7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12                                                                                                                                 | 7a        | -6,550    |
|                                                                                                                                          | b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34                                                                                                                                        | 7b        | -5,625    |
| Expenses                                                                                                                                 | 13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)                                                                                                                                     | 62,687    | 45,093    |
|                                                                                                                                          | 14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)                                                                                                                                        |           | 0         |
|                                                                                                                                          | 15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)                                                                                                                    | 4,150,463 | 4,406,300 |
|                                                                                                                                          | 16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)                                                                                                                                       |           | 0         |
|                                                                                                                                          | b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)                                                                                                                                             |           |           |
| Net Assets or Fund Balances                                                                                                              | 17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)                                                                                                                                         | 1,090,110 | 1,123,892 |
|                                                                                                                                          | 18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)                                                                                                                             | 5,303,260 | 5,575,285 |
|                                                                                                                                          | 19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12                                                                                                                                                  | 95,933    | 134,522   |
|                                                                                                                                          | 20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)                                                                                                                                                                       | 959,128   | 1,251,841 |
|                                                                                                                                          | 21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)                                                                                                                                                                  | 579,378   | 737,569   |
|                                                                                                                                          | 22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20                                                                                                                                            | 379,750   | 514,272   |

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

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Signature of officer

2012-08-07

Date

ERIC AVILDSSEN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Type or print name and title

Print/Type preparer's name

RANDALL L SARGENT CPA

Preparer's signature

RANDALL L SARGENT CPA

Date

2012-08-08

Check if self-employed

☐

PTIN

Firm's name

JMM & ASSOCIATES INC

Firm's EIN

Firm's address

336 WATER TOWER CIRCLE SUITE 801  
COLCHESTER, VT 05446

Phone no

(802) 658-0043

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Cat No 11282Y

Form 990 (2010)

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III ☐ Yes ☒ No

1

Briefly describe the organization's mission

TO PROVIDE FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO VERMONTERS WHO ARE LOW-INCOME, ELDERLY AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

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 \$ 1,507,099 including grants of \$ 3,000 ) (Revenue \$ )

POVERTY LAW PROJECT REPRESENTS LOW-INCOME VERMONTERS WITH CIVIL LEGAL PROBLEMS IN THE AREAS OF HOUSING, FAMILY LAW, CONSUMER LAW, EMPLOYMENT, AND PROBLEMS WITH GOVERNMENT BENEFITS PROGRAMS

4b

(Code ) (Expenses \$ 837,838 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

DISABILITY LAW PROJECT REPRESENTS VERMONTERS WITH PHYSICAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WHERE THEIR LEGAL PROBLEMS ARISE FROM THEIR DISABILITY CASES INCLUDE GUARDIANSHIP, SPECIAL EDUCATION, DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING, ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE, AND SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY RELATED BENEFITS PROBLEMS

4c

(Code ) (Expenses \$ 888,877 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

ELDER LAW PROJECT REPRESENTS PEOPLE OVER 60 YEARS OF AGE IN GENERAL AND CIVIL LEGAL MATTERS INCLUDING HOUSING, MEDICARE AND GUARDIANSHIP

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O ) **See also Additional Data for Description**

(Expenses \$ 1,743,074 including grants of \$ 42,093 ) (Revenue \$ )

4e

Total program service expenses \$ 4,976,888

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Yes     | No |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----|
| 1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A                                                                                                                    | 1 Yes   |    |
| 2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instruction)?                                                                                                                                                   | 2 Yes   |    |
| 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                                                                 | 3       | No |
| 4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> 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                                                  | 4 Yes   |    |
| 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                           | 5       | No |
| 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   | 6       | No |
| 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                                      | 7       | No |
| 8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III                                                                                                    | 8       | No |
| 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  | 9 Yes   |    |
| 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                                                                                        | 10      | No |
| 11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes,' then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable                                                                                                                                                                                       |         |    |
| a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.                                                                                                                 | 11a Yes |    |
| b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.                                             | 11b     | No |
| c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.                                            | 11c     | No |
| d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.                                                              | 11d     | No |
| e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.                                                                                                                           | 11e     | No |
| f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.    | 11f Yes |    |
| 12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII                                                                                          | 12a Yes |    |
| b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional              | 12b     | No |
| 13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 13      | No |
| 14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 14a     | No |
| b 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 . . . . .                                                                                             | 14b     | No |
| 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 U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV . . . . .                                                                                                               | 15      | No |
| 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 U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV . . . . .                                                                                                                   | 16      | No |
| 17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000, of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)                                                                                                                       | 17      | No |
| 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                             | 18      | No |
| 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                       | 19      | No |
| 20a Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 20a     | No |
| b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statement to this return? <b>Note.</b> Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions)                                                                                                    | 20b     |    |

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

|     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |     |     |    |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|----|
| 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  | Yes |    |
| 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  |     | No |
| 23  | Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 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  |     | No |
| 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–24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25 . . . . . | 24a |     | No |
| 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 | <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .                                                                  | 25a |     | No |
| 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 |     | No |
| 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  |     | No |
| 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  |     | No |
| 28  | Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)                                                                                   |     |     |    |
| a   | A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .                                                                                                                                                               | 28a |     | No |
| b   | A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .                                                                                                                                            | 28b |     | No |
| 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 . . . . .                                                | 28c |     | No |
| 29  | Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .                                                                                                                                                              | 29  |     | No |
| 30  | Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .                                                                                              | 30  |     | No |
| 31  | Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I . . . . .                                                                                                                                                    | 31  |     | No |
| 32  | Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II . . . . .                                                                                                                                  | 32  |     | No |
| 33  | Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I . . . . .                                                                                  | 33  |     | No |
| 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                     | 34  | Yes |    |
| 35  | Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                             | 35  |     | No |
| 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  | <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .                                                                                       | 36  |     | No |
| 37  | Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI . . . . .                                         | 37  |     | No |
| 38  | Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O . . . . .                                                                                    | 38  | Yes |    |

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Part V</b> <b>Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance</b>                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |            |           |
| Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V <input type="checkbox"/> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |            |           |
|                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> |
| <b>1a</b>                                                                                       | Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>1a</b>  | 8         |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>1b</b>  | 0         |
| <b>c</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?                                                                                                                     | <b>1c</b>  | Yes       |
| <b>2a</b>                                                                                       | Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return.                                                                                         | <b>2a</b>  | 89        |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?<br><br><b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).                                      | <b>2b</b>  | Yes       |
| <b>3a</b>                                                                                       | Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>3a</b>  | Yes       |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>3b</b>  | Yes       |
| <b>4a</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)?                                   | <b>4a</b>  | No        |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____<br>See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.                                                                                                     |            |           |
| <b>5a</b>                                                                                       | Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>5a</b>  | No        |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?                                                                                                                                                             | <b>5b</b>  | No        |
| <b>c</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>5c</b>  |           |
| <b>6a</b>                                                                                       | 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?                                                                                                  | <b>6a</b>  | No        |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?                                                                                                                                | <b>6b</b>  |           |
| <b>7</b>                                                                                        | <b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |           |
| <b>a</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?                                                                                                                              | <b>7a</b>  | No        |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>7b</b>  |           |
| <b>c</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?                                                                                                                                         | <b>7c</b>  | No        |
| <b>d</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>7d</b>  |           |
| <b>e</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?                                                                                                                                                              | <b>7e</b>  | No        |
| <b>f</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>7f</b>  | No        |
| <b>g</b>                                                                                        | If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?                                                                                                                                             | <b>7g</b>  | No        |
| <b>h</b>                                                                                        | If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?                                                                                                                                           | <b>7h</b>  | No        |
| <b>8</b>                                                                                        | <b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? | <b>8</b>   |           |
| <b>9</b>                                                                                        | <b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                             |            |           |
| <b>a</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>9a</b>  |           |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?                                                                                                                                                                                       | <b>9b</b>  |           |
| <b>10</b>                                                                                       | <b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |            |           |
| <b>a</b>                                                                                        | Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>10a</b> |           |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>10b</b> |           |
| <b>11</b>                                                                                       | <b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |            |           |
| <b>a</b>                                                                                        | Gross income from members or shareholders.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>11a</b> |           |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).                                                                                                                                                 | <b>11b</b> |           |
| <b>12a</b>                                                                                      | <b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?                                                                                                                                                            | <b>12a</b> |           |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.                                                                                                                                                                                       | <b>12b</b> |           |
| <b>13</b>                                                                                       | <b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                      |            |           |
| <b>a</b>                                                                                        | Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?<br><b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.                                                                             | <b>13a</b> |           |
| <b>b</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.                                                                                                                   | <b>13b</b> |           |
| <b>c</b>                                                                                        | Enter the amount of reserves on hand.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>13c</b> |           |
| <b>14a</b>                                                                                      | Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>14a</b> | No        |
| <b>b</b>                                                                                        | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>14b</b> |           |

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 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

|    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |     |    |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
|    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Yes | No |
| 1a | Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year                                                                                                                                 |     |    |
| 1b | Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent                                                                                                                                  |     |    |
| 2  | Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?                                               |     | No |
| 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? |     | No |
| 4  | Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?                                                                                                    |     | No |
| 5  | Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?                                                                                                          |     | No |
| 6  | Does the organization have members or stockholders?                                                                                                                                                                 |     | No |
| 7a | Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?                                                                                         |     | No |
| 7b | Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?                                                                                                             |     | No |
| 8  | Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following                                                                                    |     |    |
| 8a | The governing body?                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Yes |    |
| 8b | Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?                                                                                                                                               | Yes |    |
| 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        |     | No |

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

|     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |     |    |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
|     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Yes | No |
| 10a | Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |     | No |
| 10b | 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?                                                                             |     |    |
| 11a | Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?                                                                                                                                                                             |     | No |
| 11b | Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990                                                                                                                                                                                                   |     |    |
| 12a | Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Yes |    |
| 12b | Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?                                                                                                                                                              | Yes |    |
| 12c | Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done                                                                                                                                             | Yes |    |
| 13  | Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Yes |    |
| 14  | Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Yes |    |
| 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?                                                                           |     |    |
| 15a | The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Yes |    |
| 15b | Other officers or key employees of the organization                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Yes |    |
|     | If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions)                                                                                                                                                                                                             |     |    |
| 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?                                                                                                                                          |     | No |
| 16b | 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? |     |    |

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 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. See Additional Data Table

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization  
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264 N WINOOSKI AVE  
BURLINGTON, VT 05401  
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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, and **current** key employees 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)<br>Name and Title              | (B)<br>Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O) | (C)<br>Position (check all that apply) |                       |         |              |                              |        | (D)<br>Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC) | (E)<br>Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC) | (F)<br>Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--------------|------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                    |                                                                                        | Individual trustee or director         | Institutional Trustee | Officer | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | Former |                                                                      |                                                                           |                                                                                               |
| (1) LON MCCLINTOCK<br>VICE PRES    | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       | X       |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (2) JESSICA PORTER<br>SECRETARY    | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       | X       |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (3) MICHAEL LIPSON<br>PRESIDENT    | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       | X       |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (4) ROZ PAYNE<br>DIRECTOR          | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (5) Nanci Smith<br>DIRECTOR        | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (6) JOHN HOLME<br>TREASURER        | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       | X       |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (7) SARAH HOFMANN<br>DIRECTOR      | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (8) FLORA MASON<br>DIRECTOR        | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (9) GREG MAURIELLO<br>DIRECTOR     | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (10) WILLIAM PIPER<br>DIRECTOR     | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (11) MORRIS SILVER<br>DIRECTOR     | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (12) RICHARD CROCKER<br>DIRECTOR   | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (13) DAVID MICKENBERG<br>DIRECTOR  | 2 00                                                                                   | X                                      |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0                                                                    | 0                                                                         | 0                                                                                             |
| (14) ERIC AVILDSSEN<br>EXEC DIRECT | 40 00                                                                                  |                                        |                       | X       |              |                              |        | 77,958                                                               | 0                                                                         | 12,806                                                                                        |
|                                    |                                                                                        |                                        |                       |         |              |                              |        |                                                                      |                                                                           |                                                                                               |
|                                    |                                                                                        |                                        |                       |         |              |                              |        |                                                                      |                                                                           |                                                                                               |
|                                    |                                                                                        |                                        |                       |         |              |                              |        |                                                                      |                                                                           |                                                                                               |

## Part VII

|           |                                                              |        |  |        |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--|--------|
| <b>1b</b> | <b>Sub-Total</b>                                             |        |  |        |
| <b>c</b>  | <b>Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> |        |  |        |
| <b>d</b>  | <b>Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>                           | 77,958 |  | 12,806 |

**2** Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization) ▶

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

## **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

| (A)                       | (B)                     | (C)          |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Name and business address | Description of services | 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 ►

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

|                                                           |                                           |                                                                                                                                               | (A)                                                                                      | (B)                                            | (C)                              | (D)                                                                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
|                                                           |                                           |                                                                                                                                               | Total revenue                                                                            | Related<br>or<br>exempt<br>function<br>revenue | Unrelated<br>business<br>revenue | Revenue<br>excluded<br>from<br>tax<br>under<br>sections<br><br>512,<br>513, or<br>514 |     |
| Contributions, gifts, grants<br>and other similar amounts | 1a                                        | Federated campaigns . . . . .                                                                                                                 | 1a                                                                                       |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | b                                         | Membership dues . . . . .                                                                                                                     | 1b                                                                                       |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | c                                         | Fundraising events . . . . .                                                                                                                  | 1c                                                                                       |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | d                                         | Related organizations . . . . .                                                                                                               | 1d                                                                                       |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | e                                         | Government grants (contributions)                                                                                                             | 1e                                                                                       | 4,710,803                                      |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | f                                         | All other contributions, gifts, grants, and<br>similar amounts not included above                                                             | 1f                                                                                       | 909,580                                        |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | g                                         | Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$                                                                                              |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | h                                         | Total. Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .                                                                                                              |                                                                                          | 5,620,383                                      |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | Program Service Revenue                   |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          | Business Code                                  |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| 2a                                                        |                                           | ATTORNEY FEES                                                                                                                                 | 541100                                                                                   | 39,833                                         | 39,833                           |                                                                                       |     |
| b                                                         |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| c                                                         |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| d                                                         |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| e                                                         |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| f                                                         |                                           | All other program service revenue                                                                                                             |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| g                                                         |                                           | Total. Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .                                                                                                              |                                                                                          | 39,833                                         |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| Other Revenue                                             |                                           | 3                                                                                                                                             | Investment income (including dividends, interest<br>and other similar amounts) . . . . . |                                                | 408                              |                                                                                       | 408 |
|                                                           | 4                                         | Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .                                                                                  |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | 5                                         | Royalties . . . . .                                                                                                                           |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | 6a                                        | (i) Real                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                          | (ii) Personal                                  |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | 35,363                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | b                                                                                                                                             | Less rental<br>expenses                                                                  | 41,913                                         |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | c                                                                                                                                             | Rental income<br>or (loss)                                                               | -6,550                                         |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | d                                         | Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .                                                                                                         |                                                                                          | -6,550                                         |                                  | -6,550                                                                                |     |
|                                                           | 7a                                        | (i) Securities                                                                                                                                |                                                                                          | (ii) Other                                     |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | b                                                                                                                                             | Less cost or<br>other basis and<br>sales expenses                                        |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | c                                                                                                                                             | Gain or (loss)                                                                           |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | d                                         | Net gain or (loss) . . . . .                                                                                                                  |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | 8a                                        | Gross income from fundraising events<br>(not including<br>\$ _____<br>of contributions reported on line 1c)<br>See Part IV, line 18 . . . . . |                                                                                          | a                                              |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | b                                                                                                                                             | Less direct expenses . . . . .                                                           | b                                              |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | c                                                                                                                                             | Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .                                   |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | 9a                                        | Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .                                                                            |                                                                                          | a                                              |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | b                                                                                                                                             | Less direct expenses . . . . .                                                           | b                                              |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           |                                           | c                                                                                                                                             | Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .                                    |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
|                                                           | 10a                                       | Gross sales of inventory, less<br>returns and allowances . . . . .                                                                            |                                                                                          | a                                              |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| b                                                         |                                           | Less cost of goods sold . . . . .                                                                                                             | b                                                                                        |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| c                                                         |                                           | Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .                                                                                        |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| Miscellaneous Revenue                                     |                                           | Business Code                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| 11a                                                       | MISCELLANEOUS                             | 541100                                                                                                                                        | 55,733                                                                                   | 55,733                                         |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| b                                                         |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| c                                                         |                                           |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| d                                                         | All other revenue . . . . .               |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| e                                                         | Total. Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .        |                                                                                                                                               | 55,733                                                                                   |                                                |                                  |                                                                                       |     |
| 12                                                        | Total revenue. See Instructions . . . . . |                                                                                                                                               | 5,709,807                                                                                | 95,566                                         | -6,550                           | 408                                                                                   |     |

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)<br>Total expenses | (B)<br>Program service expenses | (C)<br>Management and general expenses | (D)<br>Fundraising expenses |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1                                                                              | Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21                                                                                                                                                     | 45,093                | 45,093                          |                                        |                             |
| 2                                                                              | Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22                                                                                                                                                                       |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                               | 89,153                |                                 | 89,153                                 |                             |
| 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                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2,948,820             | 2,671,105                       | 277,715                                |                             |
| 8                                                                              | Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .                                                                                                                                          | 97,126                | 90,365                          | 6,761                                  |                             |
| 9                                                                              | Other employee benefits . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1,027,959             | 935,265                         | 92,694                                 |                             |
| 10                                                                             | Payroll taxes . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 243,242               | 220,683                         | 22,559                                 |                             |
| a                                                                              | Fees for services (non-employees)                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
|                                                                                | Management . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| b                                                                              | Legal . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| c                                                                              | Accounting . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 14,500                |                                 | 14,500                                 |                             |
| d                                                                              | Lobbying . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 3,060                 | 3,060                           |                                        |                             |
| e                                                                              | Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                 |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| f                                                                              | Investment management fees . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| g                                                                              | Other . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 189,532               | 170,784                         | 18,748                                 |                             |
| 12                                                                             | Advertising and promotion . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 10,945                | 9,033                           | 1,912                                  |                             |
| 13                                                                             | Office expenses . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 105,210               | 94,960                          | 10,250                                 |                             |
| 14                                                                             | Information technology . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 92,692                | 70,002                          | 22,690                                 |                             |
| 15                                                                             | Royalties . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| 16                                                                             | Occupancy . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 357,597               | 345,767                         | 11,830                                 |                             |
| 17                                                                             | Travel . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 94,795                | 89,534                          | 5,261                                  |                             |
| 18                                                                             | Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .                                                                                                                                         |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| 19                                                                             | Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 62,096                | 49,568                          | 12,528                                 |                             |
| 20                                                                             | Interest . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 3,535                 |                                 | 3,535                                  |                             |
| 21                                                                             | Payments to affiliates . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                       |                                 |                                        |                             |
| 22                                                                             | Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                              | 62,440                | 62,440                          |                                        |                             |
| 23                                                                             | Insurance . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 9,384                 | 8,789                           | 595                                    |                             |
| 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                                                                              | MISCELLANEOUS - PLP                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 21,971                | 21,971                          |                                        |                             |
| b                                                                              | LITIGATION EXPENSE - MHLF                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 18,059                | 17,986                          | 73                                     |                             |
| c                                                                              | REFERENCE MATERIALS - PLP                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 16,963                | 16,963                          |                                        |                             |
| d                                                                              | REFERENCE MATERIALS - DLP                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 11,732                | 11,732                          |                                        |                             |
| e                                                                              | REFERENCE MATERIALS - ELP                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 8,874                 | 8,874                           |                                        |                             |
| f                                                                              | All other expenses                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 40,507                | 32,914                          | 7,593                                  |                             |
| 25                                                                             | Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f                                                                                                                                                                                               | 5,575,285             | 4,976,888                       | 598,397                                | 0                           |
| 26                                                                             | Joint costs. Check here <input checked="" 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)               |           | (B)         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
|                             |                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |           |         | Beginning of year |           | End of year |
| Assets                      | 1                                                                                                                                         | Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |     |           |         | 85,613            | 1         | 27,912      |
|                             | 2                                                                                                                                         | Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |     |           |         | 109,284           | 2         | 123,246     |
|                             | 3                                                                                                                                         | Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     |           |         | 311,252           | 3         | 529,557     |
|                             | 4                                                                                                                                         | Accounts receivable, net . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |     |           |         | 37,089            | 4         | 17,752      |
|                             | 5                                                                                                                                         | Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .                                                                                                                                        |     |           |         |                   | 5         |             |
|                             | 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). Schedule L . . . . . |     |           |         |                   | 6         |             |
|                             | 7                                                                                                                                         | Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |     |           |         |                   | 7         |             |
|                             | 8                                                                                                                                         | Inventories for sale or use . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |     |           |         |                   | 8         |             |
|                             | 9                                                                                                                                         | Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |           |         | 44,998            | 9         | 32,450      |
|                             | 10a                                                                                                                                       | Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 10a | 1,344,158 | 370,892 | 10c               | 520,924   |             |
|                             | b                                                                                                                                         | Less: accumulated depreciation . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 10b | 823,234   |         |                   |           |             |
|                             | 11                                                                                                                                        | Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |     |           |         |                   | 11        |             |
|                             | 12                                                                                                                                        | Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     |           |         |                   | 12        |             |
|                             | 13                                                                                                                                        | Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     |           |         |                   | 13        |             |
|                             | 14                                                                                                                                        | Intangible assets . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     |           |         |                   | 14        |             |
|                             | 15                                                                                                                                        | Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     |           |         |                   | 15        |             |
| 16                          | Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |           | 959,128 | 16                | 1,251,841 |             |
| Liabilities                 | 17                                                                                                                                        | Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |           |         | 286,166           | 17        | 249,097     |
|                             | 18                                                                                                                                        | Grants payable . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |     |           |         |                   | 18        |             |
|                             | 19                                                                                                                                        | Deferred revenue . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |     |           |         | 88,756            | 19        | 184,814     |
|                             | 20                                                                                                                                        | Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |     |           |         |                   | 20        |             |
|                             | 21                                                                                                                                        | Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |           |         | 18,302            | 21        | 3,470       |
|                             | 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |     |           |         | 186,154           | 23        | 300,188     |
|                             | 24                                                                                                                                        | Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |     |           |         |                   | 24        |             |
|                             | 25                                                                                                                                        | Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |     |           |         |                   | 25        |             |
|                             | 26                                                                                                                                        | Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |     |           |         | 579,378           | 26        | 737,569     |
| 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |     |           |         | 379,750           | 27        | 514,272     |
|                             | 28                                                                                                                                        | Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     |           |         |                   | 28        |             |
|                             | 29                                                                                                                                        | Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     |           |         |                   | 29        |             |
|                             | 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 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |     |           |         | 379,750           | 33        | 514,272     |
| 34                          | Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     |           | 959,128 | 34                | 1,251,841 |             |

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

|          |                                                                                                               |          |           |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| <b>1</b> | Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)                                                     | <b>1</b> | 5,709,807 |
| <b>2</b> | Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)                                                      | <b>2</b> | 5,575,285 |
| <b>3</b> | Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1                                                             | <b>3</b> | 134,522   |
| <b>4</b> | Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))                     | <b>4</b> | 379,750   |
| <b>5</b> | Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)                                          | <b>5</b> |           |
| <b>6</b> | Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B)) | <b>6</b> | 514,272   |

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

|           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Yes | No |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| <b>1</b>  | Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____<br>If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O                                                                |     |    |
| <b>2a</b> | Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |     | No |
| <b>b</b>  | Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Yes |    |
| <b>c</b>  | If "Yes," to 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?<br>If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O | Yes |    |
| <b>d</b>  | 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<br><input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis             |     |    |
| <b>3a</b> | 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?                                                                                                                                                                                         | Yes |    |
| <b>b</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 |    |

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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2010

Open to Public  
Inspection

|                                                   |                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Name of the organization<br>VERMONT LEGAL AID INC | Employer identification number<br>03-0219366 |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|

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

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

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A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E )
- 3

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A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4

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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

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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

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A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7

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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

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A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II )
- 9

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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

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

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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

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Type I

b

☐

Type II

c

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Type III - Functionally integrated

d

☐

Type III - Other

e

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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

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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

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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

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Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

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

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

Part II

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

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

| Section A. Public Support                                                                                                                                                                             |           |           |           |           |           |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶                                                                                                                                                         | (a) 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.")                                                                                                   | 5,258,439 | 5,025,533 | 5,225,092 | 5,360,545 | 5,620,383 | 26,489,992 |
| 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                                                                                                                                                                        | 5,258,439 | 5,025,533 | 5,225,092 | 5,360,545 | 5,620,383 | 26,489,992 |
| 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) |           |           |           |           |           | 3,516,993  |
| 6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4                                                                                                                                                         |           |           |           |           |           | 22,972,999 |

| 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                                                                                                                                                     | 5,258,439 | 5,025,533 | 5,225,092 | 5,360,545 | 5,620,383 | 26,489,992 |
| 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources                                          | 3,998     | 2,989     | 650       | 3,112     | 408       | 11,157     |
| 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on                                                                      | 7,107     |           |           |           |           | 7,107      |
| 10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV )                                                                         | 17,616    | 6,519     | 16,368    | 20,158    | 55,733    | 116,394    |
| 11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)                                                                                                                                 |           |           |           |           |           | 26,624,650 |
| 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions )                                                                                                        |           |           |           |           | 12        | 102,900    |
| 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 2010 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 14 | 86.280 % |
| 15 Public Support Percentage for 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 15 | 91.140 % |
| 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 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—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.")                                                                        |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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 |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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                                                                                                                                             |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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 )                                                                                                                           |          |          |          |          |          |           |

| 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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources                                                                                                                                           |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975                                                                                                                                                                    |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| c Add lines 10a and 10b                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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 )                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |          |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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 <b>stop here</b>  |          |          |          |          |          |           |

| Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage                                     |    |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|--|
| 15 Public Support Percentage for 2010 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f)) | 15 |  |
| 16 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15                    | 16 |  |

| Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |    |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|--|
| 17 Investment income percentage for 2010 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 17 |  |
| 18 Investment income percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 17                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 18 |  |
| 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 <b>stop here</b> . 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 <b>stop here</b> . 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 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).

Additional Data

Software ID:  
Software Version:  
EIN: 03-0219366  
Name: VERMONT LEGAL AID INC

Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

| 4d. Other program services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                |           |                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------|
| (Code                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ) (Expenses \$ | 1,743,074 | including grants of \$ 42,093 ) (Revenue \$ ) |
| (1) HEALTH CARE OMBUDSMAN PROJECT OPERATES A HOTLINE PROVIDING ADVOCACY ON PROBLEMS INVOLVING HEALTH CARE AND HEALTH INSURANCE CASE TYPES INCLUDE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE, BILLING, ELIGIBILITY AND INSURANCE PLAN COVERAGE ISSUES TOTAL EXPENSES = 493,759 (2) MENTAL HEALTH LAW PROJECT REPRESENTS CLIENTS FACING INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT AND OR INVOLUNTARY MEDICATION PROCEEDINGS TOTAL EXPENSES = 602,387 (3) LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROJECT REPRESENTS INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVE LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES IN NURSING HOMES, RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES, ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCES, OR IN THEIR OWN HOMES THROUGH THE CHOICES FOR CARE PROGRAM ISSUES ADDRESSED INCLUDE QUALITY OF CARE, QUALITY OF LIFE, AND RESIDENTS' RIGHTS TOTAL EXPENSES = 646,928 |                |           |                                               |

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| SCHEDULE C<br>(Form 990 or 990-EZ)<br><br>Department of the Treasury<br>Internal Revenue Service | Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities                                                                                                                                                                             | OMB No 1545-0047          |
|                                                                                                  | For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527<br>▶ <b>Complete if the organization is described below.</b><br>▶ <b>Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.</b> | 2010                      |
|                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Open to Public Inspection |

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35a (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

|                                                   |                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Name of the organization<br>VERMONT LEGAL AID INC | Employer identification number<br>03-0219366 |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

|   |                                                                                                          |      |
|---|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| 1 | Provide a description of the organization’s direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV |      |
| 2 | Political expenditures                                                                                   | ▶ \$ |
| 3 | Volunteer hours                                                                                          |      |

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

|    |                                                                                         |                                                                     |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955      | ▶ \$                                                                |
| 2  | Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 | ▶ \$                                                                |
| 3  | If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 4a | Was a correction made?                                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| b  | If “Yes,” describe in Part IV                                                           |                                                                     |

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) except section 501(c)(3).

|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                     |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | ▶ \$                                                                |
| 2 | Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt funtion activities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | ▶ \$                                                                |
| 3 | Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ▶ \$                                                                |
| 4 | Did the filing organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 5 | Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization’s funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV |                                                                     |

| (a) Name | (b) Address | (c) EIN | (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0- | (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0- |
|----------|-------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
|          |             |         |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                            |

Part II-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A

Check

☐

if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group

B

Check

☐

if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

| Limits on Lobbying Expenditures<br>(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                   | (a) Filing<br>Organization's<br>Totals                              | (b) Affiliated<br>Group<br>Totals  |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|--|--|
| 1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| d Other exempt purpose expenditures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| <table><thead><tr><th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th><th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Not over \$500,000</td><td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td><td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td><td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$1,000,000</td></tr></tbody></table> |                                                   | If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:                     | The lobbying nontaxable amount is: | Not over \$500,000 | 20% of the amount on line 1e | Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000 | \$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000 | Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000 | \$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000 | Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000 | \$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000 | Over \$17,000,000 | \$1,000,000 |  |  |
| If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | The lobbying nontaxable amount is:                |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| Not over \$500,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 20% of the amount on line 1e                      |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | \$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | \$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000 |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000  |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| Over \$17,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | \$1,000,000                                       |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                   |                                                                     |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |
| j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |                                    |                    |                              |                                         |                                                 |                                           |                                                   |                                            |                                                  |                   |             |  |  |

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)  
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

| Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period         |          |          |          |          |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)                  | (a) 2007 | (b) 2008 | (c) 2009 | (d) 2010 | (e) Total |
| 2a Lobbying non-taxable amount                               |          |          |          |          |           |
| b Lobbying ceiling amount<br>(150% of line 2a, column(e))    |          |          |          |          |           |
| c Total lobbying expenditures                                |          |          |          |          |           |
| d Grassroots non-taxable amount                              |          |          |          |          |           |
| e Grassroots ceiling amount<br>(150% of line 2d, column (e)) |          |          |          |          |           |
| f Grassroots lobbying expenditures                           |          |          |          |          |           |

Part II-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

|                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | (a) |    | (b)    |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|--------|
|                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yes | No | Amount |
| 1                           | During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of |     |    |        |
|                             | a Volunteers?                                                                                                                                                                                                                |     | No |        |
|                             | b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?                                                                                                                               |     | No |        |
|                             | c Media advertisements?                                                                                                                                                                                                      |     | No |        |
|                             | d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?                                                                                                                                                                           |     | No |        |
|                             | e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?                                                                                                                                                                        |     | No |        |
|                             | f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?                                                                                                                                                                       |     | No |        |
|                             | g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?                                                                                                                                | Yes |    | 3,060  |
|                             | h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?                                                                                                                                  |     | No |        |
|                             | i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV                                                                                                                                                                            |     | No |        |
| j Total lines 1c through 1i |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |     |    | 3,060  |
| 2a                          | Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?                                                                                                                                |     | No |        |
| b                           | If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912                                                                                                                                                            |     |    |        |
| c                           | If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912                                                                                                                                   |     |    |        |
| d                           | If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?                                                                                                                                 |     | No |        |

Part III-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

|   |                                                                                                  | Yes | No |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| 1 | Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?                     | 1   | No |
| 2 | Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?                | 2   | No |
| 3 | Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year? | 3   | No |

Part III-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered "Yes".

|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |    |  |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|--|
| 1 | Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1  |  |
| 2 | Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).                                                                                |    |  |
|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2a |  |
|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2b |  |
|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2c |  |
| 3 | Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues                                                                                                                                            | 3  |  |
| 4 | If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year? | 4  |  |
| 5 | Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)                                                                                                                                                                   | 5  |  |

Part IV

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, and Part II-B, line 1.  
Also, complete this part for any additional information.

| Identifier | Return Reference               | Explanation                                                                           |
|------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|            | SCHEDULE C, PART II-B, LINE 1I | LOBBYING IN VERMONT STATE LEGISLATURE ON BEHALF OF SENIOR CITIZENS AMOUNT SPENT 3,060 |

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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2010

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Inspection

**Name of the organization**  
VERMONT LEGAL AID INC

**Employer identification number**  
  
03-0219366

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?                                                           |                              |
|   | <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</div>                                                                                                                                                                                      |                              |
| 6 | Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may 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 |                              |
|   | <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</div>                                                                                                                                                                                      |                              |

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 pleasure)

☐ Preservation of an historically importantly land area

☐ Protection of natural habitat

☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☐ Preservation of open space

2

Complete lines 2a–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 Year |
| 2a |                             |
| 2b |                             |
| 2c |                             |
| 2d |                             |

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable 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 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, 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

1b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, 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 relating to these items

a

Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b

Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2010

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

3

Using the organization's 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

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

|    |        |
|----|--------|
|    | Amount |
| 1c |        |
| 1d |        |
| 1e |        |
| 1f |        |

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 . . . . .                     |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |
| b Contributions . . . . .                                  |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |
| c Investment earnings or losses . . . . .                  |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |
| d Grants or scholarships . . . . .                         |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . . |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |
| f Administrative expenses . . . . .                        |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |
| g End of year balance . . . . .                            |                 |               |                   |                     |                    |

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

Term endowment ▶

3a

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

(i)

unrelated organizations . . . . .

(ii)

related organizations . . . . .

b

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

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

4

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

**Part VI Investments—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 . . . . .                                                                            |                                      |                                |                              |                |
| b Buildings . . . . .                                                                        |                                      |                                |                              |                |
| c Leasehold improvements . . . . .                                                           |                                      | 451,579                        | 272,360                      | 179,219        |
| d Equipment . . . . .                                                                        |                                      | 739,443                        | 470,874                      | 268,569        |
| e Other . . . . .                                                                            |                                      | 153,136                        | 80,000                       | 73,136         |
| Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶ |                                      |                                |                              | 520,924        |



| Part XIReconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements |                                                                                 |    |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| 1                                                                                   | Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)                        | 1  | 5,709,807 |
| 2                                                                                   | Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)                         | 2  | 5,575,285 |
| 3                                                                                   | Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1                    | 3  | 134,522   |
| 4                                                                                   | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments                                    | 4  |           |
| 5                                                                                   | Donated services and use of facilities                                          | 5  |           |
| 6                                                                                   | Investment expenses                                                             | 6  |           |
| 7                                                                                   | Prior period adjustments                                                        | 7  |           |
| 8                                                                                   | Other (Describe in Part XIV)                                                    | 8  |           |
| 9                                                                                   | Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8                                         | 9  |           |
| 10                                                                                  | Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9 | 10 | 134,522   |

| Part XIIReconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return |                                                                                            |    |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| 1                                                                                          | Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .         | 1  | 5,809,110 |
| 2                                                                                          | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12                         |    |           |
| a                                                                                          | Net unrealized gains on investments . . . . .                                              | 2a |           |
| b                                                                                          | Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .                                           | 2b | 57,390    |
| c                                                                                          | Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .                                                  | 2c |           |
| d                                                                                          | Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .                                                     | 2d | 41,913    |
| e                                                                                          | Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .                                                          | 2e | 99,303    |
| 3                                                                                          | Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .                                                     | 3  | 5,709,807 |
| 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 |           |
| c                                                                                          | Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .                                                              | 4c |           |
| 5                                                                                          | Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12 ) . . . . . | 5  | 5,709,807 |

| Part XIIIReconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return |                                                                                             |    |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| 1                                                                                             | Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .                        | 1  | 5,674,588 |
| 2                                                                                             | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25                            |    |           |
| a                                                                                             | Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .                                            | 2a | 57,390    |
| b                                                                                             | Prior year adjustments . . . . .                                                            | 2b |           |
| c                                                                                             | Other losses . . . . .                                                                      | 2c |           |
| d                                                                                             | Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .                                                      | 2d | 41,913    |
| e                                                                                             | Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .                                                           | 2e | 99,303    |
| 3                                                                                             | Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .                                                      | 3  | 5,575,285 |
| 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 |           |
| 5                                                                                             | Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18 ) . . . . . | 5  | 5,575,285 |

Part XIVSupplemental 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, 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.

| Identifier                                     | Return Reference                       | Explanation                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ESCROW LIABILITY ARRANGEMENT EXPLANATION       | SCHEDULE D, PAGE 2, PART IV, LINE 2B   | VERMONT LEGAL AID MAINTAINS ESCROW ACCOUNTS FOR CLIENTS DURING LEGAL PROCEEDINGS                                                                                                                   |
| LIABILITY UNDER FIN 48 FOOTNOTE                | SCHEDULE D, PAGE 3, PART X             | VERMONT LEGAL AID, INC. BELIEVES THAT IT HAS APPROPRIATE SUPPORT FOR ANY TAX POSITIONS TAKEN AND, AS SUCH, DOES NOT HAVE ANY UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT ARE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS |
| RECONCILIATION OF CHANGES - OTHER              | SCHEDULE D, PAGE 4, PART XI, LINE 8    | RENTAL EXPENSES NETTED AGAINST INCOME 41,913<br>RENTAL EXPENSES NETTED AGAINST INCOME -41,913                                                                                                      |
| REVENUE AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN FINANCIALS - OTHER | SCHEDULE D, PAGE 4, PART XII, LINE 2D  | RENTAL EXPENSES NETTED AGAINST INCOME 41,913                                                                                                                                                       |
| EXPENSE AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN FINANCIALS - OTHER | SCHEDULE D, PAGE 4, PART XIII, LINE 2D | RENTAL EXPENSES NETTED AGAINST INCOME 41,913                                                                                                                                                       |

Schedule I  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization  
VERMONT LEGAL AID INC

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.  
▶ Attach to Form 990

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1

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

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 for any recipient that 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. . . . . ▶ ☐

| 1 (a) Name and address of organization or government                     | (b) EIN    | (c) IRC Code section if applicable | (d) Amount of cash grant | (e) Amount of non-cash assistance | (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other) | (g) Description of non-cash assistance | (h) Purpose of grant or assistance |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (1) DISABILITY RIGHTS VERMONT141 MAIN STREET SUITE 7 MONTPELIER,VT 05602 | 03-0274878 | 3                                  | 42,093                   |                                   | CASH                                                  |                                        | CLIENT SERVICES                    |
|                                                                          |            |                                    |                          |                                   |                                                       |                                        |                                    |
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2

Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations . . . . . ▶

3

Enter total number of other organizations . . . . . ▶

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.  
Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) 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 |
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Part IV

Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

| Identifier                                                                | Return Reference                   | Explanation                                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS INSIDE THE UNITED STATES | SCHEDULE I, PAGE 1, PART I, LINE 2 | VERMONT LEGAL AID RECEIVES FINANCIAL REPORTS FROM SUBGRANTEES |

**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 to provide any additional information.**  
**▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

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| <b>Name of the organization</b><br>VERMONT LEGAL AID INC | <b>Employer identification number</b><br>03-0219366 |
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| Identifier                         | Return Reference                    | Explanation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| ALL OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS DESCRIPTION | FORM 990, PAGE 2, PART III, LINE 4D | (1) HEALTH CARE OMBUDSMAN PROJECT OPERATES A HOTLINE PROVIDING ADVOCACY ON PROBLEMS INVOLVING HEALTH CARE AND HEALTH INSURANCE. CASE TYPES INCLUDE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE, BILLING, ELIGIBILITY AND INSURANCE PLAN COVERAGE ISSUES. TOTAL EXPENSES = 493,759. (2) MENTAL HEALTH LAW PROJECT REPRESENTS CLIENTS FACING INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT AND OR INVOLUNTARY MEDICATION PROCEEDINGS. TOTAL EXPENSES = 602,387. (3) LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROJECT REPRESENTS INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVE LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES IN NURSING HOMES, RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES, ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCES, OR IN THEIR OWN HOMES THROUGH THE CHOICES FOR CARE PROGRAM. ISSUES ADDRESSED INCLUDE QUALITY OF CARE, QUALITY OF LIFE, AND RESIDENTS' RIGHTS. TOTAL EXPENSES = 646,928. |

| Identifier                                        | Return Reference                       | Explanation                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS<br>USED TO REVIEW FORM 990 | FORM 990, PAGE 6,<br>PART VI, LINE 11B | FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PROGRAM<br>ADMINISTRATOR BEFORE IT IS FILED A COPY OF FORM 990 IS PROVIDED TO THE<br>BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUBSEQUENT TO FILING |

| Identifier                      | Return Reference                    | Explanation                                                                                     |
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| ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY | FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 12C | THE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEW THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ON AN ANNUAL BASIS |

| Identifier                                  | Return Reference                          | Explanation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| COMPENSATION<br>PROCESS FOR TOP<br>OFFICIAL | FORM 990, PAGE<br>6, PART VI, LINE<br>15A | APPROXIMATELY EVERY 5 YEARS, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ESTABLISHES A COMPENSATION COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SETTING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SALARY THE COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE E.D 'S WORK, INVESTIGATES COMPARABLE SALARIES FROM THE NONPROFIT AND LEGAL SERVICES SECTORS, AND DETERMINES WHETHER HIS SALARY SHOULD BE ADJUSTED |

| Identifier                        | Return Reference                    | Explanation                                                                                         |
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| COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR OFFICERS | FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 15B | BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVES COMPENSATION PLAN WHICH INCLUDES DEFINED PAY GRADES FOR ALL STAFF LEVELS |

| Identifier                                    | Return Reference                      | Explanation                                                                                                          |
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| GOVERNING DOCUMENTS<br>DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION | FORM 990, PAGE 6,<br>PART VI, LINE 19 | GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST<br>AT VERMONT LEGAL AID'S OFFICE IN BURLINGTON, VERMONT |

SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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.

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Name of the organization

VERMONT LEGAL AID INC

Employer identification number

03-0219366

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

| (a)<br>Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity | (b)<br>Primary activity | (c)<br>Legal domicile (state or foreign country) | (d)<br>Total income | (e)<br>End-of-year assets | (f)<br>Direct controlling entity |
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Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.)

| (a)<br>Name, address, and EIN of related organization                                                                                            | (b)<br>Primary activity | (c)<br>Legal domicile (state or foreign country) | (d)<br>Exempt Code section | (e)<br>Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3)) | (f)<br>Direct controlling entity | (g)<br>Section 512(b)(13) controlled organization |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----|
|                                                                                                                                                  |                         |                                                  |                            |                                                     |                                  | Yes                                               | No |
| (1) LEGAL SERVICES LAW LINE OF VERMONT<br>LEGAL SERVICES LAW LINE OF VERMONT<br>274 NO WINOOSKI AVENUE<br><br>BURLINGTON, VT 05401<br>03-0349316 | LEGAL SERV              | VT                                               | 501(C)                     | 7                                                   | N/A                              |                                                   | No |
|                                                                                                                                                  |                         |                                                  |                            |                                                     |                                  |                                                   |    |
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Part III

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

| (a)<br>Name, address, and EIN of<br>related organization | (b)<br>Primary activity | (c)<br>Legal<br>domicile<br>(state or<br>foreign<br>country) | (d)<br>Direct controlling<br>entity | (e)<br>Predominant income<br>(related, unrelated,<br>excluded from tax<br>under sections 512-<br>514) | (f)<br>Share of total income | (g)<br>Share of end-of-year<br>assets | (h)<br>Disproporionate<br>allocations? |    | (i)<br>Code V—UBI<br>amount in box 20 of<br>Schedule K-1<br>(Form 1065) | (j)<br>General or<br>managing<br>partner? |    | (k)<br>Percentage<br>ownership |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----|--------------------------------|
|                                                          |                         |                                                              |                                     |                                                                                                       |                              |                                       | Yes                                    | No |                                                                         | Yes                                       | No |                                |
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Part IV

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

| (a)<br>Name, address, and EIN of related organization | (b)<br>Primary activity | (c)<br>Legal domicile<br>(state or<br>foreign<br>country) | (d)<br>Direct controlling<br>entity | (e)<br>Type of entity<br>(C corp, S corp,<br>or trust) | (f)<br>Share of total income | (g)<br>Share of<br>end-of-year<br>assets | (h)<br>Percentage<br>ownership |
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Part V

Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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

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 (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)

Yes

No

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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)<br>Name of other organization      | (b)<br>Transaction<br>type(a-r) | (c)<br>Amount involved | (d)<br>Method of determining amount<br>involved |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| (1) LEGAL SERVICES LAW LINE OF VERMONT | I                               | 35,363                 |                                                 |
| (2) LEGAL SERVICES LAW LINE OF VERMONT | K                               | 6,486                  |                                                 |
| (3)                                    |                                 |                        |                                                 |
| (4)                                    |                                 |                        |                                                 |
| (5)                                    |                                 |                        |                                                 |
| (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.

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Part VII

Supplemental Information

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

| Identifier | Return Reference | Explanation |
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Form

4562

Depreciation and Amortization  
(Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172

2010

Attachment  
Sequence No 67

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service (99)

See separate instructions.

Attach to your tax return.

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| Name(s) shown on return<br>VERMONT LEGAL AID INC | Business or activity to which this form relates<br><br>OFFICE ATTACHED TO VLA | Identifying number<br><br>03-0219366 |
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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

|    |                                                                                                                                                |                              |                  |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| 1  | Maximum amount See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses . . . . .                                                        | 1                            | 500,000          |
| 2  | Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions) . . . . .                                                              | 2                            |                  |
| 3  | Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions) . . . . .                                             | 3                            | 2,000,000        |
| 4  | Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .                                                       | 4                            |                  |
| 5  | Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1 If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions . . . . . | 5                            |                  |
| 6  | (a) Description of property                                                                                                                    | (b) Cost (business use only) | (c) Elected cost |
|    |                                                                                                                                                |                              |                  |
|    |                                                                                                                                                |                              |                  |
| 7  | Listed property Enter the amount from line 29 . . . . .                                                                                        | 7                            |                  |
| 8  | Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7 . . . . .                                                  | 8                            |                  |
| 9  | Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8 . . . . .                                                                            | 9                            |                  |
| 10 | Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2009 Form 4562 . . . . .                                                                | 10                           |                  |
| 11 | Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions) . . . . .                    | 11                           |                  |
| 12 | Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11 . . . . .                                                 | 12                           |                  |
| 13 | Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2011 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 .                                                                   | 13                           |                  |

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property ) (See instructions )

|    |                                                                                                                                             |    |        |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|--------|
| 14 | Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions) | 14 |        |
| 15 | Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election . . . . .                                                                                    | 15 |        |
| 16 | Other depreciation (including ACRS) . . . . .                                                                                               | 16 | 16,335 |

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)

Section A

|    |                                                                                                                                             |    |  |
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| 17 | MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2010 . . . . .                                                  | 17 |  |
| 18 | If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here . . . . . |    |  |

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2010 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

| (a) Classification of property | (b) Month and year placed in service | (c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions) | (d) Recovery period | (e) Convention | (f) Method | (g) Depreciation deduction |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------------|
| 19a 3-year property            |                                      |                                                                            |                     |                |            |                            |
| b 5-year property              |                                      |                                                                            |                     |                |            |                            |
| c 7-year property              |                                      |                                                                            |                     |                |            |                            |
| d 10-year property             |                                      |                                                                            |                     |                |            |                            |
| e 15-year property             |                                      |                                                                            |                     |                |            |                            |
| f 20-year property             |                                      |                                                                            |                     |                |            |                            |
| g 25-year property             |                                      |                                                                            | 25 yrs              |                | S/L        |                            |
| h Residential rental property  |                                      |                                                                            | 27 5 yrs            | MM             | S/L        |                            |
|                                |                                      |                                                                            | 27 5 yrs            | MM             | S/L        |                            |
| i Nonresidential real property |                                      |                                                                            | 39 yrs              | MM             | S/L        |                            |
|                                |                                      |                                                                            |                     | MM             | S/L        |                            |

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2010 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

|                |  |  |        |    |     |  |
|----------------|--|--|--------|----|-----|--|
| 20a Class life |  |  |        |    | S/L |  |
| b 12-year      |  |  | 12 yrs |    | S/L |  |
| c 40-year      |  |  | 40 yrs | MM | S/L |  |

Part IV Summary (see instructions)

|    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |    |        |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|--------|
| 21 | Listed property Enter amount from line 28 . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                | 21 |        |
| 22 | Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions . . . . . | 22 | 16,335 |
| 23 | For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs . . . . .                                                                  | 23 |        |

Part V

Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)  
**Note:** For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete **only** 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.

Section A—Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 |                                |                                 |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                          |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        | 24b If "Yes," is the evidence written? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |                                |                                 |  |
| (a)<br>Type of property (list vehicles first)                                                                                                                              | (b)<br>Date placed in service | (c)<br>Business/ investment use percentage | (d)<br>Cost or other basis | (e)<br>Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only) | (f)<br>Recovery period | (g)<br>Method/ Convention                                                                       | (h)<br>Depreciation/ deduction | (i)<br>Elected section 179 cost |  |
| 25Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use (see instructions) |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 | 25                             |                                 |  |
| 26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use                                                                                                                 |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 |                                |                                 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               | %                                          |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 |                                |                                 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               | %                                          |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 |                                |                                 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               | %                                          |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 |                                |                                 |  |
| 27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use                                                                                                                   |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 |                                |                                 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               | %                                          |                            |                                                              |                        | S/L -                                                                                           |                                |                                 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               | %                                          |                            |                                                              |                        | S/L -                                                                                           |                                |                                 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                               | %                                          |                            |                                                              |                        | S/L -                                                                                           |                                |                                 |  |
| 28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27 Enter here and on line 21, page 1                                                                                        |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        | 28                                                                                              |                                |                                 |  |
| 29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26 Enter here and on line 7, page 1                                                                                                     |                               |                                            |                            |                                                              |                        |                                                                                                 | 29                             |                                 |  |

Section B—Information on Use of Vehicles

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person  
If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles

|                                                                                                    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----|------------------|----|------------------|----|------------------|----|------------------|----|------------------|----|
| 30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year ( <b>do not</b> include commuting miles) | (a)<br>Vehicle 1 |    | (b)<br>Vehicle 2 |    | (c)<br>Vehicle 3 |    | (d)<br>Vehicle 4 |    | (e)<br>Vehicle 5 |    | (f)<br>Vehicle 6 |    |
| 31 Total commuting miles driven during the year                                                    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |
| 32 Total other personal(noncommuting) miles driven                                                 |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |
| 33 Total miles driven during the year Add lines 30 through 32                                      |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |
| 34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?                               | Yes              | No | Yes              | No | Yes              | No | Yes              | No | Yes              | No | Yes              | No |
| 35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?                       |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |
| 36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?                                                  |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |

Section C—Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who **are not** more than 5% owners or related persons (see instructions)

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |     |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| 37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?                                                                                        | Yes | No |
| 38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners |     |    |
| 39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?                                                                                                                                                         |     |    |
| 40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?                                                   |     |    |
| 41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions )                                                                                                                    |     |    |
| <b>Note:</b> If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles                                                                                                         |     |    |

Part VI Amortization

|                                                                                     |                                 |                           |                     |                                          |                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (a)<br>Description of costs                                                         | (b)<br>Date amortization begins | (c)<br>Amortizable amount | (d)<br>Code section | (e)<br>Amortization period or percentage | (f)<br>Amortization for this year |
| 42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2010 tax year (see instructions)   |                                 |                           |                     |                                          |                                   |
|                                                                                     |                                 |                           |                     |                                          |                                   |
|                                                                                     |                                 |                           |                     |                                          |                                   |
| 43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2010 tax year                       |                                 |                           |                     | 43                                       |                                   |
| 44 <b>Total.</b> Add amounts in column (f) See the instructions for where to report |                                 |                           |                     | 44                                       |                                   |