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Form 990-EZ

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions) All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form

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

OMB No 1545-1150

2011

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2011, and ending 12-31-2011

- B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Terminated, Amended return, Application pending

C Name of organization: ARLINGTON TEA PARTY. Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite: 3633 RIVERHEAD DR. City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: Arlington, TX 76015

D Employer identification number: 27-1701258. E Telephone number: (817) 676-3730. F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting method: [X] Cash [ ] Accrual [ ] Other (specify)

H Check [X] if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: www.arlingtonteaparty.org

J Tax-Exempt status (check only one): [ ] 501(c)(3) [X] 501(c)(4) (insert no) [ ] 4947(a)(1) or [ ] 527

K Check [ ] if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. \$ 56,440

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I [ ]

Table with 3 columns: Description, Line Number, Amount. Rows include Revenue (1-9), Expenses (10-17), and Net Assets (18-21). Total revenue is 56,440 and total expenses is 53,160.

**Part II** **Balance Sheets**

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

(See the instructions for Part II )

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>22</b> Cash, savings, and investments . . . . .	27,405	<b>22</b>	11,537
<b>23</b> Land and buildings . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
<b>24</b> Other assets (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	2,604	<b>24</b>	4,752
<b>25 Total assets</b> . . . . .	30,009	<b>25</b>	16,289
<b>26 Total liabilities</b> (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	17,000	<b>26</b>	
<b>27 Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) <b>must</b> agree with line 21) . . . . .	13,009	<b>27</b>	16,289

**Part III** **Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

**Expenses**  
(Required for section 501 (c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others )

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?  
TO IMPACT PUBLIC POLICY AND OPINION BY TEACHING ALL WHO SEEK TO LEARN THE PRINCIPLES AND SPIRIT OF INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AND CONSTITUTIONALLY-LIMITED SELF-GOVERNANCE

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

<b>28</b> TO IMPACT PUBLIC POLICY AND OPINION BY EDUCATING ALL WHO SEEK TO LEARN THE PRINCIPLES AND SPIRIT OF INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AND CONSTITUTIONALLY-LIMITED SELF-GOVERNANCE (Grants \$ )	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>28a</b>	46,542
<b>29</b>			
(Grants \$ )	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>29a</b>	
<b>30</b>			
(Grants \$ )	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>30a</b>	
<b>31</b> Other program services (describe in Schedule O)			
(Grants \$ )	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>31a</b>	
<b>32 Total program service expenses</b> (add lines 28a through 31a)		<b>32</b>	46,542

**Part IV** **List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees.** List each one even if not compensated (See the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Form 990-EZ (2011) Part V Other Information. Questions 33-45b regarding significant activities, changes, income, political expenditures, loans, and controlled entities.

**Yes** **No**

**46** Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

<b>46</b>		
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**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only.**

All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 47-49b and 52.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

**Yes** **No**

**47** 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

<b>47</b>		
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**48** Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

<b>48</b>		
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**49a** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

<b>49a</b>		
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**b** If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

<b>49b</b>		
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**50** Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

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

**f** Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**d** Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**52** Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE:** All Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A  Yes  No

**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.**

<b>Sign Here</b>	***** Signature of officer	2012-11-10 Date
	MEL MOSS PRESIDENT Type or print name and title	

<b>Paid Preparer's Use Only</b>	Preparer's signature GREGORY A BENSON	Date 2012-11-14	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's taxpayer identification number (See instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 GREGORY A BENSON CPA PC 3208 ALGONQUIN AVE ARLINGTON, TX 76017			EIN Phone no (817) 704-3473

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions  Yes  No

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

Complete if the organization is described below.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. See separate instructions.

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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, line 35c (Proxy Tax), then

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

Name of the organization ARLINGTON TEA PARTY

Employer identification number

27-1701258

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 on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office 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?
4a Was a correction made?
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 function 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 Form 1120-POL for this year?
5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization.

**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 (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing Organization's Totals	(b) Affiliated Group Totals												
<b>1a</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
<b>b</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
<b>c</b>	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
<b>d</b>	Other exempt purpose expenditures														
<b>e</b>	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
<b>f</b>	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
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<b>g</b>	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
<b>h</b>	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
<b>i</b>	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
<b>j</b>	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 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) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying non-taxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroots non-taxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> 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
<b>1</b> 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			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?			
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		No	
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?		No	
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		No	
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		No	
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		No	
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?		No	
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		No	
<b>i</b> Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV		No	
<b>j</b> Total lines 1c through 1i			
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**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
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	<b>3</b>	

**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".**

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures ( <b>do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid</b> ).		
<b>a</b> Current year	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> Total	<b>2c</b>	
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b> 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?	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	

**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 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation

**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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**2011**

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Name of the organization  
ARLINGTON TEA PARTY

**Employer identification number**

27-1701258

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
		EQUIPMENT PURCHASED = 2,148

## Additional Data

**Software ID:**

**Software Version:**

**EIN:** 27-1701258

**Name:** ARLINGTON TEA PARTY

### Form 990-EZ, Special Condition Description:

Special Condition Description
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### Form 990EZ, Part IV - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
MEL MOSS 3633 RIVERHEAD DR Arlington, TX 76015	PRESIDENT 15 00	0		
MICHAEL BUESCHEL 6606 ANGORA TRAIL Arlington, TX 76002	VICE PRESIDENT 3 00	0		
KATHERINE BREEN 4812 FAWN VALLEY Arlington, TX 76017	SECRETARY 1 00	0		
GREG BENSON 3208 ALGONQUIN AVE Arlington, TX 76017	TREASURER 1 00	0		