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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

2011

Open to Public Inspection

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

THE SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS

Doing Business As

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

633 N SAINT CLAIR ST STE 2320

Room/suite

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

CHICAGO, IL 60611

F Name and address of principal officer

ROBERT A WYNBRANDT
633 N SAINT CLAIR ST STE 2320
CHICAGO,IL 60611

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) (6) ☐ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website:

WWW STS ORG

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Year of formation

1971

M State of legal domicile

IL

Part I	Summary																																
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities TO ENHANCE THE ABILITY OF CARDIOTHORACIC SURGEONS TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST QUALITY PATIENT CARE THROUGH EDUCATION, RESEARCH, AND ADVOCACY																																
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Part II

Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

ROBERT A WYNBRANDT EXECUTIVE DIR & GENERAL COUNSEL

Date

2012-10-01

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature

KIMBERLY HAUMANN

Date

2012-10-01

Check if self-employed

☐

Preparer's taxpayer identification number (see instructions)

P00546491

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1

Briefly describe the organization's mission

TO ENHANCE THE ABILITY OF CARDIOTHORACIC SURGEONS TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST QUALITY PATIENT CARE THROUGH EDUCATION, RESEARCH, AND ADVOCACY

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

checked

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

checked

No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured 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 \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

EDUCATION - PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND PUBLISH A JOURNAL REGARDING MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION TO MORE THAN 6,000 MEMBERS

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

HEALTH POLICY - EDUCATE MORE THAN 6,000 MEMBERS ABOUT EXISTING AND PROPOSED LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS, AND EDUCATE GOVERNMENTAL BODIES ABOUT THE SPECIALTY

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

QUALITY, RESEARCH, AND PATIENT SAFETY - DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN THE STS NATIONAL DATABASE FOR THORACIC SURGERY CLINICAL OUTCOMES, PROMULGATE CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES TO ENHANCE PATIENT CARE, AND ENGAGE IN RELATED ACTIVITIES

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses

\$

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		No
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors(see instructions)? 	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 		No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 	Yes	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which 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 		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 		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 		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 		No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 		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. 	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. 		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. 		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. 		No
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X. 		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. 	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 	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 		No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I 		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, Part II and IV 		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, Part III and IV 		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		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		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		No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statement to this return? Note. All Form 990 filers that operated one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements		

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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	Yes	
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? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b–24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>	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	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	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 owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	34	Yes	
35a	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the filing organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance					
Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V ☐					
				Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1a	49		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1b	0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	52		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).	2b	Yes		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	Yes		
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	Yes		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account or securities account)?	4a			No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.				
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a			No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b			No
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c			
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a	Yes		
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	Yes		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).				
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a			
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b			
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c			
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d			
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e			
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f			
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g			
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h			
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8			
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.				
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a			
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b			
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter				
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a			
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b			
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter				
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a			
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b			
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b			
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.				
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. All 501(c)(29) organizations must list in Schedule O each state in which they are licensed to issue qualified health plans, the amount of reserves required by each state, and the amount of reserves the organization allocated to each state.	13a			
b	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b			
c	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves on hand	13c			
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a			No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b			

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		
1a	16		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	16
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	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?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	Yes
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	Yes
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	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	9	No

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b	Were officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	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?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	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?	16a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

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 made 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 made 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 ▶ GEORGE BOHN 633 N SAINT CLAIR ST SUITE 2320 CHICAGO, IL 60611 (312) 202-5800

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, or 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 organizations compensated any current or former officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) MICHAEL J MACK PRESIDENT	12 00	X		X				8,000	0	0
(2) JEFFREY B RICH FIRST VICE PRESIDENT	12 00	X		X				1,000	0	0
(3) DOUGLAS E WOOD SECOND VICE PRESIDENT	3 00	X		X				1,000	0	0
(4) DAVID A FULLERTON SECRETARY	12 00	X		X				5,500	0	0
(5) CAROLYN E REED TREASURER	3 00	X		X				1,000	0	0
(6) ROBERT S D HIGGINS TREASURER -ELECT	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
(7) DOUGLAS J MATHISEN IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT *	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
(8) GORDON F MURRAY IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT **	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
(9) FRIEDRICH W MOHR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR *	2 00	X						0	0	0
(10) BRUCE E KEOGH INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR **	2 00	X						0	0	0
(11) CHRISTOPHER A CALDERONE CANADIAN DIRECTOR *	2 00	X						0	0	0
(12) JEAN DESLAURIERS CANADIAN DIRECTOR **	2 00	X						0	0	0
(13) JENNIFER S NELSON RESIDENT DIRECTOR	2 00	X						0	0	0
(14) MARK S ALLEN DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(15) JOSEPH F SABIK III DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE *	2 00	X						0	0	0
(16) JOHN H CALHOON DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(17) RICHARD H FEINS DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0

Part VII

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) WALTER H MERRILL DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(19) RICHARD J SHEMIN DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(20) ROBERT A WYNBRANDT EXEC DIRECTOR & GENERAL CO	60 00			X				642,530	0	96,050
(21) SYLVIA L NOVICK DIR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTR	40 00			X				206,326	0	31,312
(22) PHILLIP BONGIORNO DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS	40 00				X			173,334	0	33,918
(23) NANCY GRAY PUCKETT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS	40 00				X			174,270	0	10,844
(24) CYNTHIA SHEWAN DIRECTOR OF QUALITY, RESEARCH & PATIENT SAFETY	40 00				X			174,156	0	18,195
(25) DAMON MARQUIS DIRECOR OF EDUCATION & MEMBER SERVICES	40 00				X			153,834	0	17,560
(26) WALTER HAZLITT ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL	40 00					X		144,128	0	26,753
(27) JOYCE GAMBINO DIRECTOR OF MEETINGS & CONVENTIONS	40 00					X		135,008	0	15,484
(28) GEORGE P BOHN CONTROLLER	40 00					X		123,832	0	22,177
(29) GRAHAME RUSH DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES	40 00					X		107,015	0	23,248
(30) DONNA MCDONALD SENIOR MANAGER, STS NATIONAL DATABASES AND PATIENT	40 00					X		103,557	0	10,393
1b Sub-Total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								2,154,490	0	305,934

2	Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization			11
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		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	No
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	Yes
5	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>	5	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 Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year		
(A) Name and business address		(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
DUKE UNIVERSITY PO BOX 17969 DURHAM, NC 27715		DATABASE SUPPORT SERVICES	2,062,610
CPUP DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY 3400 SPRUCE ST 4 SILVERSTEIN PHILADELPHIA, PA 19104		PUBLISHING	515,749
PSAV PRESENTATION SERVICES 925 FREEPORT PARKWAY SUITE 100 COPPELL, TX 75019		AUDIO-VISUAL SUPPORT	407,500
CENTERPLATE 111 W HARBOR DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92101		CATERING SERVICE	337,789
TELLIGEN 1776 W LAKES PARKWAY WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266		DATA AUDITING	295,959
2	Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization		18

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514		
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . .	1a						
	b	Membership dues	1b						
	c	Fundraising events	1c						
	d	Related organizations	1d						
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	335,440					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	674,743					
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____							
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		1,010,183					
Program Service Revenue	2a	NATIONAL DATABASE	Business Code 611710	4,586,764	4,586,764				
	b	EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS	611710	3,738,323	3,738,323				
	c	MEMBERSHIP DUES	611710	2,662,404	2,662,404				
	d	PUBLICATIONS & SUBSCRI	611710	954,419	954,419				
	e	MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS	611710	479,173	479,173				
	f	All other program service revenue		210,627	210,627				
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		12,631,710					
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		1,072,860			1,072,860	
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . .							
5		Royalties		2,546,998			2,546,998		
6a		Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal					
			63,362						
			b	Less rental expenses	0				
			c	Rental income or (loss)	63,362				
d		Net rental income or (loss)		63,362			63,362		
7a		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other					
			9,111,567						
			b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	8,820,016				
			c	Gain or (loss)	291,551				
d		Net gain or (loss)		291,551			291,551		
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a						
			b	Less direct expenses	b				
			c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . .					
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 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									
b									
c									
d	All other revenue								
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d								
12	Total revenue. See Instructions			17,616,664	12,152,537	479,173	3,974,771		

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)

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States See Part IV, line 21	250,000			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,748,829			
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	2,396,127			
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	74,370			
9	Other employee benefits	302,987			
10	Payroll taxes	236,612			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	55,373			
c	Accounting	38,600			
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees	56,692			
g	Other	3,883,238			
12	Advertising and promotion	30,904			
13	Office expenses	1,779,227			
14	Information technology	74,909			
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	647,356			
17	Travel	482,740			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	2,160,541			
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	322,695			
23	Insurance	62,420			
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	MEMBERSHIP FEES	43,336			
b					
c					
d					
e					
f	All other expenses	29,619			
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	14,676,575			
26	Joint costs. Check here ☐ 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			2,967,354	1	2,515,766
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			2,310,451	2	1,301,191
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net				3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net			791,163	4	1,053,235
	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)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L				6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net				7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use				8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			642,379	9	921,751
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	2,913,220	1,372,416	10c	1,393,184
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b	1,520,036			
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities			22,481,631	11	23,008,444
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11			1,016,804	12	1,219,758
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11				13	
	14	Intangible assets				14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11			14,553	15	14,553
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)			31,596,751	16	31,427,882
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			3,928,551	17	4,265,779
	18	Grants payable				18	
	19	Deferred revenue			5,655,190	19	4,790,070
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities				20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D				21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L				22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties				23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties				24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D				25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25			9,583,741	26	9,055,849
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets			21,654,056	27	22,003,052
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			358,954	28	368,981
	29	Permanently restricted net assets				29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ 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			22,013,010	33	22,372,033
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances			31,596,751	34	31,427,882

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	17,616,664
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	14,676,575
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	2,940,089
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	22,013,010
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	-2,581,066
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	22,372,033

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
c	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? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separated basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
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		

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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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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, line 35c (Proxy Tax), then

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

Name of the organization THE SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS	Employer identification number 36-3022713
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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?	☐ Yes ☐ No
4a	Was a correction made?	☐ Yes ☐ 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 Form 1120-POL for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ 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 (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

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing Organization's Totals	(b) Affiliated Group 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><tr><td>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</td><td>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</td></tr><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></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?	☐ Yes ☐ 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
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots non-taxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (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?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV			
j	Total lines 1c through 1i			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
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?			

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	Yes	

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	2,308,311
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).		
a	Current year	2a	299,375
b	Carryover from last year	2b	-314,407
c	Total	2c	-15,032
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	530,912
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	-545,944

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
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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, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b
► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization
THE SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS

Employer identification number
36-3022713

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds 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	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	

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

1

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

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or 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
a	Total number of conservation easements
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06

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

b

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

► \$ _____

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

1b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

2b

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				
1b	Contributions				
1c	Investment earnings or losses				
1d	Grants or scholarships				
1e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs				
1f	Administrative expenses				
1g	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

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

4

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

Part VI

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
1b Buildings				
1c Leasehold improvements		1,286,402	463,717	822,685
1d Equipment		74,772	73,955	817
1e Other		1,552,046	982,364	569,682
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶				1,393,184

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements		
1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	117,616,664
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	214,676,575
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	32,940,089
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4-2,581,066
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	9-2,581,066
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10359,023

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return		
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	115,105,980
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12	
a	Net unrealized gains on investments2a-2,581,066	
b	Donated services and use of facilities2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)2d70,382	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d2e-2,510,684	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 13	317,616,664
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 7b4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b4c0	
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)5	517,616,664

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return		
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	114,715,206
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	
a	Donated services and use of facilities2a	
b	Prior year adjustments2b	
c	Other losses2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)2d95,323	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d2e95,323	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 13	314,619,883
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 7b4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)4b56,692	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b4c56,692	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)5	514,676,575

Part XIV Supplemental Information		
Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, 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
DESCRIPTION OF UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS UNDER FIN 48	PART X	THE SOCIETY IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 501(C)(6). HOWEVER, THE SOCIETY IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL INCOME TAX ON ANY UNRELATED BUSINESS TAXABLE INCOME. THE SOCIETY'S APPLICATION OF GAAP/USA REGARDING UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS HAD NO EFFECT ON ITS FINANCIAL POSITION AS MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THE SOCIETY HAS NO MATERIAL UNRECOGNIZED INCOME TAX BENEFITS, INCLUDING ANY POTENTIAL RISK OF LOSS OF ITS EXEMPT STATUS. THE SOCIETY WOULD ACCOUNT FOR ANY POTENTIAL INTEREST OR PENALTIES RELATED TO POSSIBLE FUTURE LIABILITIES FOR UNRECOGNIZED INCOME TAX BENEFITS AS INCOME TAX EXPENSE. THE SOCIETY IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL TAX AUTHORITIES FOR PERIODS BEFORE 2008.
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		EXCLUDE RELATED ORGANIZATION - PAC REVENUE 127,074. INVESTMENT FEES NETTED AGAINST INVESTMENT INCOME ON F/S -56,692.
PART XIII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		EXCLUDE RELATED ORGANIZATION - PAC EXPENSES 95,323.
PART XIII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		INVESTMENT FEES NETTED AGAINST INVESTMENT INCOME ON F/S 56,692.

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

[illegible]

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities ►

Part III

[illegible]

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1

Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926 (see instructions for Form 926)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 2

Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If " Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 3520 and/or Form 3520-A. (see instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 3

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Corporations. (see instructions for Form 5471)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 4

Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund. (see instructions for Form 8621)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 5

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships. (see instructions for Form 8865)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 6

Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see instructions for Form 5713).*

☐

Yes

☒

No

Part V

Complete this part to provide the information (see instructions) required in Part I, line 2, and any additional information.

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Schedule I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
THE SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS

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. Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed ☐

(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) THE JOINT COUNCIL ON THORACIC SURGERY EDUCATION633 N SAINT CLAIR SUITE 2320 CHICAGO,IL 60611	26-3487555	501(C)(3)	250,000				GENERAL SUPPORT

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table

1

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

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

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
PROCEDURE FOR MONITORING GRANTS IN THE U S	PART I, LINE 2	SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2 STS REQUIRES GRANTEE ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE REPORTS FOR EACH OF OUR THREE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS EACH YEAR IN ADDITION, STS OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS HAVE ONGOING COMMUNICATION WITH VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THIS GRANTEE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGARDING THE STATUS OF ITS ACTIVITIES AND ITS WORK TOWARDS ITS RESPECTIVE MISSION

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

		Yes	No
1a	Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items ☐ First-class or charter travel ☐ Travel for companions ☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments ☐ Discretionary spending account ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees ☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b	If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b	
2	Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2	Yes
3	Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply ☐ Compensation committee ☒ Independent compensation consultant ☒ Form 990 of other organizations ☐ Written employment contract ☒ Compensation survey or study ☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4	During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III	4a	No
		4b	Yes
		4c	No
	Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-9.		
5	For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of a The organization? b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III	5a	
		5b	
6	For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of a The organization? b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III	6a	
		6b	
7	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7	
8	Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	
9	If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53 4958-6(c)?	9	

Part II

Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use Schedule J-1 if additional space needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, columns (D) and (E) for that individual

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) ROBERT A WYNBRANDT	(i)	459,289	67,563	115,678	62,250	33,800	738,580	98,404
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(2) SYLVIA L NOVICK	(i)	182,848	19,895	3,583	10,384	20,928	237,638	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(3) PHILLIP BONGIORNO	(i)	157,199	15,059	1,076	8,983	24,935	207,252	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(4) NANCY GRAY PUCKETT	(i)	155,033	16,270	2,967	7,431	3,413	185,114	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(5) CYNTHIA SHEWAN	(i)	136,771	17,473	19,912	7,530	10,665	192,351	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(6) DAMON MARQUIS	(i)	136,286	15,019	2,529	7,437	10,123	171,394	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(7) WALTER HAZLITT	(i)	143,491	0	637	3,260	23,493	170,881	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(8) JOYCE GAMBINO	(i)	119,703	12,646	2,659	6,700	8,784	150,492	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Part III **Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	PART I, LINE 4B	ROBERT A. WYNBRANDT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL, RECEIVED A BENEFIT OF 50,000 THROUGH THE 457(F) PLAN

SCHEDULE O

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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.
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	THE ORGANIZATION IS A MEMBERSHIP SOCIETY AND HAS MORE THAN 6,000 MEMBERS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY ARE ELECTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING PURSUANT TO THE ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B	CERTAIN DECISIONS OF THE GOVERNING BODY (E.G , REGARDING DUES AND BY LAWS AMENDMENTS) ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY MEMBERS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE ORGANIZATION RETAINED THE SERVICES OF AN INDEPENDENT CPA FIRM TO PREPARE ITS FORM 990. MANAGEMENT THEN REVIEWED THE COMPLETED FORM 990 AND PROVIDED A FULL COPY TO ALL VOTING MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS (I.E., THE GOVERNING BODY). THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY WERE GIVEN A REASONABLE AMOUNT OF TIME TO REVIEW THE RETURN AND ASK ANY QUESTIONS DIRECTLY TO MANAGEMENT OR CORPORATE OFFICERS. FINALLY, THE ORGANIZATION'S OFFICERS MET WITH MANAGEMENT AND DISCUSSED THE RETURN PRIOR TO FILING.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, KEY EMPLOYEES, AND OTHERS ARE ANNUALLY REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AS A REQUIREMENT OF SERVICE. THE STATEMENT ON STS DISCLOSURE POLICY AND GUIDELINES REGARDING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IS READ AT THE BEGINNING OF EVERY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE, COUNCIL, OPERATING BOARD, AND WORKFORCE MEETING. IF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR THE APPEARANCE OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST EXISTS, THE PERSON WITH SUCH A CONFLICT MUST DISCLOSE THE RELATIONSHIP AND REFRAIN FROM VOTING ON THE MATTER. IF THE NATURE OF THE RELATIONSHIP SUGGESTS THAT HIS OR HER PRESENCE MAY BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE DISCUSSION, HE OR SHE MUST EXIT THE MEETING. THE MEETING CHAIR MAKES THE FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO THE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	15A THE SOCIETY ENGAGES AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT PERIODICALLY, USUALLY EVERY TWO OR THREE YEARS, TO PERFORM A MARKET SALARY ANALYSIS FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL POSITION THE SAME PROCESS IS USED TO DETERMINE THE SALARY FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL AS FOR OTHER STS STAFF, EXCEPT THAT COMPARATIVE SALARY DATA FOR SIMILAR POSITIONS ARE OBTAINED FROM FORMS 990 OF OTHER NATIONAL MEDICAL SPECIALTY SOCIETIES THIS INFORMATION IS SHARED WITH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WHICH DETERMINES THE NEW LEVEL OF COMPENSATION AND COMMUNICATES THE SALARY INFORMATION TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL AND TO THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION FOR IMPLEMENTATION THIS PROCESS LAST TOOK PLACE IN 2010 AN ADJUSTMENT IS MADE TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL'S SALARY ANNUALLY FOR A MERIT INCREASE, WHICH IS BASED ON A FORMAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION 15B COMPENSATION - THE SOCIETY ENGAGES AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT PERIODICALLY, USUALLY EVERY TWO OR THREE YEARS, TO PERFORM A MARKET SALARY ANALYSIS FOR STS POSITIONS THE CONSULTANT MEETS WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL AND EACH STAFF DIRECTOR TO ASCERTAIN INFORMATION RELEVANT TO EACH POSITION THE CONSULTANT ALSO REVIEWS EACH OF THE POSITION DESCRIPTIONS, DETERMINES APPROPRIATE MATCHES FROM COMPENSATION MARKET SURVEYS, E.G., WATSON WYATT, PRM, ASSOCIATION FORUM, AND ASAE, FOR COMPARABLE POSITIONS AT SIMILARLY SITUATED ORGANIZATIONS, AND COMPILES AND ANALYZES THIS MARKET DATA FOR EACH POSITION THE CONSULTANT MEETS WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL TO REVIEW THE COMPENSATION ANALYSIS, AND MAKES ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ANALYSIS, AS APPROPRIATE, BASED ON ADDITIONAL DATA PROVIDED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL UTILIZING THE CONSULTANT'S ANALYSIS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL MAKES SALARY ADJUSTMENTS AND COMMUNICATES NEW SALARIES IN WRITING TO OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION, AND SENDS THE DATA TO THE STS TREASURER FOR REVIEW THIS PROCESS LAST TOOK PLACE IN 2010 ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE TO SALARIES ANNUALLY FOR MERIT INCREASES, WHICH ARE BASED ON FORMAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS AND KEY GOVERNANCE POLICIES ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON THE STS WEBSITE. OTHER GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, AS WELL AS THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE ORGANIZATION.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5	NET UNREALIZED LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS -2,581,066

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

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) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled organization	
						Yes	No
(1) SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE 20 F STREET NW SUITE 310C WASHINGTON, DC 20001 52-2017375	POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE	DC	527				No

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

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

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 related organization(s)

c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)

d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)

e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

f Sale of assets to related organization(s)

g Purchase of assets from related organization(s)

h Exchange of assets with related organization(s)

i Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)

k Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)

l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)

m Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)

n Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

o Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses

p Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

q Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)

r Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

Yes

No

1a

1b

1c

1d

1e

1f

1g

1h

1i

1j

1k

1l

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No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

No

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

(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type(a-r)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)			
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Schedule R (Form 990) 2011

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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Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 36-3022713

Name: THE SOCIETY OF THORACIC SURGEONS

Form 990, Special Condition Description:

Special Condition Description

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)							(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099- MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former				
MICHAEL J MACK PRESIDENT	12 00	X		X				8,000	0	0	
JEFFREY B RICH FIRST VICE PRESIDENT	12 00	X		X				1,000	0	0	
DOUGLAS E WOOD SECOND VICE PRESIDENT	3 00	X		X				1,000	0	0	
DAVID A FULLERTON SECRETARY	12 00	X		X				5,500	0	0	
CAROLYN E REED TREASURER	3 00	X		X				1,000	0	0	
ROBERT S D HIGGINS TREASURER -ELECT	1 00	X		X				0	0	0	
DOUGLAS J MATHISEN IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT *	2 00	X		X				0	0	0	
GORDON F MURRAY IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT **	2 00	X		X				0	0	0	
FRIEDRICH W MOHR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR *	2 00	X						0	0	0	
BRUCE E KEOGH INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR **	2 00	X						0	0	0	
CHRISTOPHER A CALDERONE CANADIAN DIRECTOR *	2 00	X						0	0	0	
JEAN DESLAURIERS CANADIAN DIRECTOR **	2 00	X						0	0	0	
JENNIFER S NELSON RESIDENT DIRECTOR	2 00	X						0	0	0	
MARK S ALLEN DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0	
JOSEPH F SABIK III DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE *	2 00	X						0	0	0	
JOHN H CALHOON DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0	
RICHARD H FEINS DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0	
WALTER H MERRILL DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0	
RICHARD J SHEMIN DIRECTOR-AT- LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0	
ROBERT A WYNBRANDT EXEC DIRECTOR & GENERAL CO	60 00			X				642,530	0	96,050	
SYLVIA L NOVICK DIR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTR	40 00			X				206,326	0	31,312	
PHILLIP BONGIORNO DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS	40 00				X			173,334	0	33,918	
NANCY GRAY PUCKETT DIRECTOR OF MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS	40 00				X			174,270	0	10,844	
CYNTHIA SHEWAN DIRECTOR OF QUALITY, RESEARCH & PATIENT SAFETY	40 00				X			174,156	0	18,195	
DAMON MARQUIS DIRECOR OF EDUCATION & MEMBER SERVICES	40 00				X			153,834	0	17,560	

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
WALTER HAZLITT ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL	40 00					X		144,128	0	26,753
JOYCE GAMBINO DIRECTOR OF MEETINGS & CONVENTIONS	40 00					X		135,008	0	15,484
GEORGE P BOHN CONTROLLER	40 00					X		123,832	0	22,177
GRAHAME RUSH DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES	40 00					X		107,015	0	23,248
DONNA MCDONALD SENIOR MANAGER, STS NATIONAL DATABASES AND PATIENT	40 00					X		103,557	0	10,393