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Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2011

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning, 2011, and ending, 20. B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Terminated, Amended return, Application pending. C Name of organization: Whatcom Bar Association. D Employer identification number: 91-1239486. E Telephone number. F Group Exemption Number. G Accounting Method: Cash. H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B. I Website: whatcombar.org. J Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(6). K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization. L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. Total: \$46,037

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 21 rows for Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets. Revenue total: 46,037. Expenses total: 35,628. Net Assets total: 35,380. Includes a 'RECEIVED' stamp dated MAY 21 2012 from OGDEN, UT.

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Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name
35 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?
35 b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35 c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N
37 a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
37 b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
38 a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?
38 b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter:
39 a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
39 b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40 a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911, section 4912, section 4955
40 b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I
40 c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
40 d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
40 e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed
42 a The organization's books are in care of Erin Crisman Glass Telephone no 360-733-0212 Located at PO Box 1142 Bellingham, WA ZIP + 98227-1142
42 b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.
42 c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country.
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041-Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year
44 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44 b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44 c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44 d If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45 a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45 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)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)

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

	Yes	No
46		X

**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, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

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

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

	Yes	No
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48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

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49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

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b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49b		
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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) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

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."

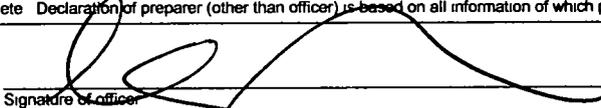
(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

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

**Sign Here**

Signature of officer:   
 Erin Crisman Glass, Treasurer  
 Type or print name and title

Date: 5/11/12

**Paid Preparer Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name: Scott Davis  
 Preparer's signature:  - CPA  
 Date: 05-11-2012  
 Check  if self-employed  
 PTIN: P00514122  
 Firm's name: Scott A Davis CPA  
 Firm's address: 2211 Elm Street, Bellingham WA 98225  
 Firm's EIN: 80-0135284  
 Phone no: 360-647-1200

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

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

OMB No 1545-0047

**2011**

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

Employer identification number

**Whatcom Bar Association**

**91-1239486**

**01. Description of other revenue (Part I, line 8)**

Description	Amount
Advertising	5,297

**02. Description of other expenses (Part I, line 16)**

Description	Amount
Law library	3,000
CLE expenses	8,829
Law Advocates	10,000
Taxes and licenses	613
Honararium, plaques, flowers	282
HS mock trial team support	2,000
Teen court	2,000
Bar lunch meetings	6,798
P O Box Rental	96
Newletter stipend	1,200

**03. Description of total liabilities (Part II, line 26)**

Category	Beginning	
	of Year	End of Year
Accrued Expenses	180	0