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Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation

OMB No. 1545-0052

2011

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Note. The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

For calendar year 2011, or tax year beginning JULY 01, 2011, and ending JUNE 30, 2012

Name of foundation Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation		A Employer identification number 23-7031791
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 8 Roland Mews	Room/suite	B Telephone number (see instructions) (410) 323-4060
City or town, state, and ZIP code Baltimore MD 21210		C If exempt application is pending, check here ☐
G Check all that apply:	☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Address change	☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☒ Amended return ☐ Name change
H Check type of organization		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐
☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 5,347,387	J Accounting method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), & (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
REVENUE	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)				
	2 Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
	3 Interest on savings and temp. cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	103,116	103,116		
	5 a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6 a Net gain/(loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	45,150			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 1,902,099				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		45,150		
	8 Net short-term capital gain			0	
	9 Income modifications			0	
	10 a Gross sales less rtns. & allowances 0				
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule)					
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	148,266	148,266	0		
OPERATING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	9,000			
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16 a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule) #1 4,250				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule) #2 54,654				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) #3 5,018				
	19 Depreciation (attach sch.) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule) #4 60				
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	72,982	0	0	0
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	291,750			291,750
26 Total exp. & disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	364,732	0	0	291,750	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-216,466				
b Net investment income (if neg., enter -0-)		148,266			
c Adjusted net income (if neg., enter -0-)					

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only. (See inst)		
		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
ASSETS	1 Cash -- non-interest-bearing	716,206	344,957	344,957
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3 Accounts receivable ▶ Less: allowance for doubtful accts ▶			
	4 Pledges receivable ▶ Less: allowance for doubtful accts. ▶			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see the instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments -- U.S. and state govt obligations (attach schedule)	220,414	107,437	105,630
	b Investments -- corporate stock (attach schedule)	3,520,343	3,880,399	4,167,087
	c Investments -- corporate bonds (attach schedule)	763,529	723,850	729,713
	11 Investments -- land, buildings, and equipment basis Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12 Investments -- mortgage loans			
	13 Investments -- other (attach schedule)			
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
15 Other assets (describe ▶)				
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers -- see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I) .	5,220,492	5,056,643	5,347,387	
LIABILITIES	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons ..			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0	
FUNDS	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted			
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, ck. here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 31.			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds ...	5,220,492	5,056,643	
	30 Total net assets or fund balances (see the instructions)	5,220,492	5,056,643	
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see the inst)	5,220,492	5,056,643		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year -- Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	5,220,492
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-216,466
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ See attachment #5	3	52,617
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	5,056,643
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) -- Part II, column (b), line 30.	6	5,056,643

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How acquired P -- Purchase D -- Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a See attachment #6			
b			
c			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	45,150
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see the instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	3	0

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beg. in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2010	272,900	5,621,169	0.048549
2009	276,607	5,446,515	0.050786
2008	362,284	7,008,864	0.051689
2007	457,750	11,678,001	0.039198
2006	563,162	10,199,889	0.055213

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	0.245435
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period -- divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years.	3	0.049087
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2011 from Part X, line 5.	4	5,363,973
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	263,301
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	1,483
7 Add lines 5 and 6.	7	264,784
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	291,750

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 -- see the instructions)

1 a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary -- see inst.)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	1,483
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b).			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	0
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	1,483
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	0
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	1,483
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2011 estimated tax payments and 2010 overpayment credited to 2011	6a	2,400	
b Exempt foreign organizations -- tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	2,400	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	917	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2012 estimated tax ▶ 917 Refunded ▶	11		

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1 a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a	X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see the instructions for definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities	1b	X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c	X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation . . . ▶ \$ 0 (2) On foundation managers . . . ▶ \$ 0		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ▶ \$ 0		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities	2	X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	3	X
4 a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a	X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b	N/A
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.	5	X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6	X
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the yr.? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), & Part XV	7	X
8 a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see the instructions) ▶ MD		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	8b	X
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2011 or the taxable year beginning in 2011 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV	9	X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses	10	X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address N/A	13	X	
14	The books are in care of See attachment #7 Telephone no. Located at ZIP+4 			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 -- Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15			
16	At any time during calendar year 2011, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 	16	Yes	No X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☐	1b	X
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2011? ☐	1c	X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)).		
a At the end of tax year 2011, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2011? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years 20 , 20 , 20 , 20		
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement -- see instructions) ☐	2b	X
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here 20 , 20 , 20 , 20		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2011 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2011.) ☐	3b	X
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes? ☐	4a	X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2011? ☐	4b	X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)**5a** During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

- (1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see instructions) ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? N/A ☐ 5b

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☐ ▶

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? N/A ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d)

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No **6b** X

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? N/A **7b**

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and avg hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred comp.	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See attachment #8				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 -- see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and avg hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

0

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**3** Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services

**Part IX-A** Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

Expenses

1	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see the instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

Amount

1	
2	
All other program-related investments See the instructions	
3	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3



Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see the instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	4,772,106
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	673,552
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see the instructions)	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	5,445,658
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	5,445,658
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see the instructions)	4	81,685
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	5,363,973
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	268,199

Part XI Distributable Amount (see the instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	268,199
2a	Tax on investment income for 2011 from Part VI, line 5	2a	1,483
b	Income tax for 2011 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	1,483
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	266,716
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	266,716
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see the instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	266,716

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see the instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. -- total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	291,750
b	Program-related investments -- total from Part IX-B	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	291,750
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see the instructions)	5	1,483
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	290,267

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see the instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2010	(c) 2010	(d) 2011
1 Distributable amount for 2011 from Part XI, line 7				266,716
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2011				
a Enter amount for 2010 only				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2011				
a From 2006 84,634				
b From 2007				
c From 2008 16,173				
d From 2009 5,082				
e From 2010 136,484				
f Total of lines 3a through e	242,373			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2011 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 291,750				
a Applied to 2010, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required -- see the instructions) . . .				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required -- see the instructions)				
d Applied to 2011 distributable amount. . . .				
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus				
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2011 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	242,373			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount -- see the instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2010 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount -- see the instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2011. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2012				266,716
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see the instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2006 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see the instructions)				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2012. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	242,373			
10 Analysis of line 9.				
a Excess from 2007				
b Excess from 2008				
c Excess from 2009				
d Excess from 2010				
e Excess from 2011				

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2011, enter the date of the ruling. . . . ▶

- Part XV** **Supplementary Information** (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year — see the instructions.)

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year See attachment #11				
Total			▶ 3a	291,750
b Approved for future payment				
Total			▶ 3b	

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See the instructions.)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Excl code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue:					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees & contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities					103,116
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a Debt-financed property					
b Not debt-financed property					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					45,150
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue. a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e).		0		0	148,266
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)					148,266

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See the instructions.)

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?		
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:		
(1)	Cash		X
(2)	Other assets		X
b	Other transactions:		
(1)	Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization		X
(2)	Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization		X
(3)	Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets		X
(4)	Reimbursement arrangements		X
(5)	Loans or loan guarantees		X
(6)	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations		X
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees		X
d	If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received		

(a) Line no	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements

2 a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

Sign Here	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 taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instructions)? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
	Signature of officer or trustee <i>[Signature]</i>	Date 12/28/12	Title President		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name Stephen M COOPER	Preparer's signature <i>[Signature]</i>	Date 12/14/12	Check ☒ if self-employed	PTIN P00057455
	Firm's name ▶ COOPER & LEHMANN LLP			Firm's EIN ▶ 52-0859233	
	Firm's address ▶ 10749 FALLS ROAD STE 202			Phone no (410) 583-5540	

990 SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTING FEES

Attachment 1: page 1 - 990-PF Page 1, Part I, Line 16b

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning 07-01-2011, and ending 06-30-2012
Name of Organization Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation	Employer Identification Number 23-7031791

Accounting Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charity
Cooper & Lehmann	4 , 250			
Total:	4 , 250			

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Inspection

07-01-2011, and ending

06-30-2012.

Name of Organization	Employer Identification Number
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23-7031791

Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation	23-7031791
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Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charity
Lateef	5,616			
Snow	5,390			
Gabelli	27,487			
Goldman Sachs	16,161			
Total:	54,654			

990 SCHEDULE OF TAXES PAID

Attachment 3: page 1 - 990- PF Page 1, Part I, Line 18

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning	07-01-2011, and ending	06-30-2012
Name of Organization			Employer Identification Number
Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation			23-7031791

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charity
Federal Taxes	5,018			
Total:	5,018			

990 OTHER EXPENSES SCHEDULE

Attachment 4: page 1 990-PF Page 1, Part I, Line 23

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning	07-01-2011, and ending	06-30-2012
Name of Organization			Employer Identification Number
Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation			23-7031791

Description of Activity	Revenue and Expenses	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charity
Wire Fee	60			
Total:	60			

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Attachment 5: page 1 - 990- PF Page 2, Part III, Line 3

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning 07-01-2011 , and ending 06-30-2012.	
Name of Organization Helen S'and Merrill L Bank Foundation		Employer Identification Number 23-7031791

Description of Increase	Total Amount
Adjustment Prior Balances to Ending Balances	52,617
Total:	52,617

990 PART IV CAPITAL GAINS AND LOSSES FOR TAX ON INVESTMENT INCOME

Attachment 6: page 1 - 990-PF Page 3, Part IV, line 1

Open to Public Inspection		For calendar year 2011 or tax period beginning		07-01-2011, and ending	06-30-2012
Name of Organization Helen S' and Merrill L Bank Foundation					Employer Identification Number 23-7031791
	(a) List and Describe the Kind(s) of Property Sold (e g., Real Estate, 2-story Brick Warehouse; or Common Stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How Acquired P -- Purchase D -- Donation	(c) Date Acquired (mo., day, yr)	(d) Date Sold (mo , day, yr)	
1	Morgan Stanley-Snow	P		06-30-2012	
2	Morgan Stanley-Lateef	P		06-30-2012	
3	Goldman Sachs	P		06-30-2012	
4	Gabellii	P		06-30-2012	
5	Gabelli	P		06-30-2012	
6	Recoveries	P		06-30-2012	
	(e) Gross Sales Price	(f) Depreciation Allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or Other Basis Plus Expense of Sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) Plus (f) Minus (g)	
1	273,073		275,683	-2,610	
2	238,257		181,709	56,548	
3	607,815		672,870	-65,055	
4	681,783		661,083	20,700	
5	100,571		65,604	34,967	
6	600			600	
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69				(l) Gains (Col (h) Gain Minus Col (k), But Not Less Than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))	
	(i) F M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted Basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess if Col. (i) Over Col (j), if Any		
1				-2,610	
2				56,548	
3				-65,055	
4				20,700	
5				34,967	
6				600	

990 BOOKS ARE IN CARE OF

Attachment 7 - 990-PF Page 5, Part VII-A, Line 14

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning 07-01, and ending 06-30-2012
Name of Organization Helen S. and Merrill L Bank Foundation	Employer Identification Number 23-7031791

Part VII-A - Line 14

Individual Name Stephen M Cooper

or
Business Name:

Street Address 10749 Falls Road, Ste 202

U.S. Address:

Zip code 21093 City Lutherville State MD
or
Foreign Address

City

Province or State

Country

Postal code

Phone Number (410) 583-5540

Fax Number (410) 583-5596

990 CURRENT OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES

Attachment 8: page 1 - 990-PF Page 6, Part VIII

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning 07-01-2011, and ending 06-30-2012.
Name of Organization Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation	Employer Identification Number 23-7031791

(A) Name and Address	(B) Title and Average Hrs. per Week	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter 0)	(D) Cont. to Employee Ben Plans & Def Comp	(E) Expense Account & Other Allowances
Herbert M Bank Baronet Road Owings Mills, MD 21117	VP 0.50	0	0	0
Penny Bank 8 Roland Mews Baltimore, MD 21210	President 0.50	9,000	0	0

990 INFORMATION REGARDING FOUNDATION MANAGERS

Attachment 9: page 1 - 990-PF Page 10, Part XV, line 1a

Open to Public Inspection	For calendar year 2011, or tax period beginning	07-01-2011, and ending	06-30-2012.
Name of Organization Helen S' and Merrill L Bank Foundation			Employer Identification Number 23-7031791
Contributing Manager none			

Helen & Merrill Bank Foundation
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS
June 30, 2012

Name	Purpose	Amount
Associated Charities of Baltimore Baltimore, MD	Charitable	68,000 00
Baltimore Museum of Art Baltimore, MD	Art & Education	3,000.00
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Baltimore, MD	Art & Education	3,000 00
Betty Ford Gardens Vail CO	Art & Education	500 00
Bravo, Vail Valley Music Festival Vail, CO	Art & Education	10,000.00
Brown University Providence, RI	Education	7,000.00
Center Stage Baltimore, MD	Art & Education	23,000 00
Chautauqua Fund Chautauque, NY	Art & Education	30,250 00
Everyman Theatre Baltimore, MD	Art & Education	11,000.00
Greater Baltimore Medical Center Towson, MD	Art & Educaton	3,000.00
Hospice of Palm Beach County Palm Beach, FL	Charitable	1,000.00
House of Ruth Baltimoe, MD	Charitable	5,000 00
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Baltimore, MD	Medical Research	1,000.00
Kravis Center Palm Beach, FL	Art & Education	25,000 00
League of Women Voters of FL Palm Beach, FL	Charitable	1,000 00

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Lourden Noreen McKeen W Palm Beach, FL 33401	Medical	1,000.00
Maryland Zoo in Baltimore Baltimore, MD	Educational	5,000.00
MPTV Owings Mills, MD	Art & Education	3,000 00
National Aquarium in Baltimore Baltimore, MD	Education	13,000 00
New England Baptist Hospital Boston, MA	Medical Research	10,000.00
Palm Beach Dramaworks Palm Bech, FL	Art & Education	11,000.00
Planned Parenthood of Palm Beach Palm Beach, FL	Educational	2,500 00
Planned Parenthood of MD Baltimore, MD	Educational	6,000.00
Shoales Marine Labs Ithaca, NY	Education	1,250.00
Smithsonian Institution Washington DC	Education	2,000.00
James Smithson Society Washington DC	Education	2,500 00
Steadman Phillipon Foundation Vail, CO	Medical Research	15,000.00
Temple Israel Palm Beach, FL	Religious	600.00
UC Davis Davis, CA	Education	7,000 00
U of MD-Shock Trauma Baltimore, MD	Medical Research	6,000.00
Vail Symposium Vail, CO	Educational	500.00
Vail Valley Medical Center Vail, CO	Charitable	6,000.00



Attachment 11: page 3 of 3 990-PF Page 11, Part XV Line 3a

Vilar Center for the Arts Beaver Creek, CO	Art & Education	1,500.00
Walters Art Gallery Baltimore, MD	Art & Education	1,000.00
WYPR Baltimore, MD	Art & Education	<u>5,150.00</u>
Total Charitable Contributions		<u>\$291,750.00</u>

2011 DETAIL STATEMENTS

Helen S and Merrill L Bank Fou
23-7031791

Page 1

STATEMENT #1 - Dividends (990-PF PG 1 Line 4(b))

Snbw-Morgan Stanley.....	10,057
Lateef-Morgan Stanley.....	5,850
Gabelli.....	36,504
Goldman Sachs.....	50,705

TOTAL CARRIED TO 990-PF PG 1 Line 4(b).....	103,116
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Form **8868**

(Rev. January 2012)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Application for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return**

OMB No 1545-1709

► **File a separate application for each return.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions

Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions Helen S and Merrill L Bank Foundation	Employer identification number (EIN) or ☒ 23-7031791
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions 8 Roland Mews	Social security number (SSN) ☐
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions Baltimore MD 21210	

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

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

- The books are in the care of ► See attachment #5

Telephone No. ► _____ FAX No. ► _____

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

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until FEBRUARY 15, 20 13, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for

► ☐ calendar year 20____ or► ☒ tax year beginning JULY 01, 20 11, and ending JUNE 30, 20 12

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period

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

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

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.

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