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Form **990-EZ****Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2012**Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceUnder section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

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

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2012, and ending , 20

B Check if applicable

☒ Address change	C Name of organization PALMETTO POLICY FORUM Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite P O BOX 12676 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 COLUMBIA, SC 29211	D Employer identification number 26-3077338
☒ Name change		E Telephone number (803) 708-0673
☐ Initial return		F Group Exemption Number
☐ Terminated		
☐ Amended return		
☐ Application pending		

G Accounting Method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual Other (specify) ►

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

I Website: ► WWW.PALMETTOPOLICY.ORG

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

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

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ► \$ 62,804.

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. ☒

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	62,800.
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Investment income	4	4.
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Gaming and fundraising events		
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b		
c Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8		
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	62,804.	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	475.
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	43,060.
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	43,535.
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	19,269.
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	9,109.
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	28,378.

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II ☒ X

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments ATTACHMENT 3	9,109.	22 26,601.
23 Land and buildings	0	23 1,777.
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24 0
25 Total assets	9,109.	25 28,378.
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26 0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	9,109.	27 28,378.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III ☐

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ATTACHMENT 4

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

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

28 THE ORGANIZATION PERFORMS RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS AND PUBLISHES LITERATURE ON ISSUES THAT AFFECT THE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY CLIMATE AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN SOUTH CAROLINA. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	28a	35,661.
29 THE ORGANIZATION SPONSORS AND PARTICIPATES IN PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS ON ISSUES THAT PROMOTE AND ENHANCE THE PUBLIC GOOD IN SOUTH CAROLINA. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	29a	7,505.
30 (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	30a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	43,166.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees List each one even if not compensated (see the instructions for Part IV)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV ☐

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
ELLEN E WEAVER PRESIDENT & CEO, Director	40.00	0	0	0
JIM DEMINT HONORARY FOUNDING CHAIRMAN	1.00	0	0	0
C DAN ADAMS DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
J GRESHAM BARRETT DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
MICHAEL R BRENAN DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
MICHAEL H MCBRIDE DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
STEWART RODMAN VICE-CHAIRMAN	1.00	0	0	0
Gran Smith Director, Senior Fellow	20.00	0	0	0

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. ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

	Yes	No
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. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	☒	☐
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)?	☐	☒
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	☐	☐
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 ▶ 37a	☐	☐
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?	☐	☒
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b	☐	☐
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter.	☐	☐
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a	☐	☐
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b	☐	☐
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 ▶	☐	☐
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	☐	☒
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 ▶	☐	☐
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶	☐	☐
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 ▶ SC ,	☐	☐
42 a The organization's books are in care of ▶ ELLEN E WEAVER Telephone no ▶ 803-708-0673 Located at ▶ 1612 MARION STREET, SUITE 312 COLUMBIA, SC ZIP + 4 ▶ 29201	☐	☐
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	☐	☐
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside 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 ▶ 43	☐	☐
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	☐	☒
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	☐	☒
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	☐	☒
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 only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations 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
47 X

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E 48 X

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

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? 49b

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 title of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) 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
NONE				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 0

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

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

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 0

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
X

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 Date
3/29/13
 Signature of officer Date
 Ellen Weaver, President & CEO
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name
 CHRISTOPHER J. BACHKOSK Preparer's signature
Date
 3/24/2013 Check ☐ if self-employed
 Firm's name Firm's EIN
 SELLARS, COLE & BACHKOSKY, LLC 58-2292735
 Firm's address Phone no
 3205 DEVINE STREET 803.765.0083
 COLUMBIA, SC 29205

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

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

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Name of the organization

PALMETTO POLICY FORUM

Employer identification number

26-3077338

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
- a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III-Functionally integrated d ☐ Type III-Non-functionally integrated
- e ☐ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**.
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box. ☐
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
- (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? ☐
- (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? ☐
- (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? ☐

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

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

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	0	30,000.	13,000.	7,500.	62,800.	113,300.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3		30,000.	13,000.	7,500.	62,800.	113,300.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f).						0
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						113,300.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4		30,000.	13,000.	7,500.	62,800.	113,300.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources		95.	110.	45.	4.	254.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						113,554.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						☒

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
b 33 1/3% support test - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions		☐

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b.						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6.						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here. ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10, Part II, line 17a or 17b, and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions)

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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Inspection**

Name of the organization

PALMETTO POLICY FORUM

Employer identification number

26-3077338

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990EZ, PART I - INVESTMENT INCOME

DESCRIPTION

AMOUNT

INTEREST INCOME

4.

TOTAL

4.

ATTACHMENT 2

FORM 990EZ, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES

DEPRECIATION

368.

BANK SERVICE CHARGES

272.

REGISTRATION FEES

10.

OUTSIDE RESEARCH SERVICES

34,716.

SEMINARS AND SPONSORSHIPS

7,505.

MEETING EXPENSE

50.

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

139.

TOTAL

43,060.

ATTACHMENT 3

FORM 990EZ, PART II - CASH, SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS

DESCRIPTION

BEGINNING
OF YEAR

END
OF YEAR

CASH

9,109.

26,601.

TOTALS

9,109.

26,601.

ATTACHMENT 4

FORM 990EZ, PART III - ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE

THE PALMETTO POLICY FORUM IS A NONPARTISAN, NONPROFIT EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO EDUCATING THE PUBLIC AND ENHANCING THE PUBLIC GOOD. THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES RESEARCH, ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATIONS ON ISSUES THAT AFFECT THE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY CLIMATE AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Name of the organization

PALMETTO POLICY FORUM

Employer identification number

26-3077338

ATTACHMENT 5

FORM 990EZ, PART V - EXPLANATION FOR SIGNIFICANT CHANGES MADE TO ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS

ON NOVEMBER 15 2012, THE ORGANIZATION CHANGED ITS NAME FROM PALMETTO FORT FOUNDATION TO PALMETTO POLICY FORUM. THE ORGANIZATION'S FORMAL MAILING ADDRESS WAS ALSO CHANGED AND A NEW PRESIDENT & CEO AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS INSTALLED. A COPY OF THE CERTIFIED ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT ARE ATTACHED.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
SECRETARY OF STATE

NOV 15 2012

NONPROFIT CORPORATION
ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

Mark Hammond
SECRETARY OF STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY WITH BLACK INK

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 33-31-1005 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, the applicant delivers to the Secretary of State these articles of amendment.

1. The name of the nonprofit corporation is Palmetto Fort Foundation
(Must match name on record with Secretary of State's Office)

2. Date incorporated July 31, 2008
(Must match date on record with Secretary of State's Office)

3. On 10/22/12 / 11-15-12, the following amendment was adopted, (see Attachments)
(Date the amendment was decided upon)

Name change to Palmetto Policy Forum

Address change to PO Box 12676, Columbia, SC 29211 (PRINCIPLE OFFICE)

Election & Resignation of Board members; Appointment of President & CEO

4. ☒ By checking this paragraph #4 the applicant represents that (a) approval of the amendment by the members was not required, (b) the amendment was approved by a sufficient vote of the board or directors or the incorporators. (Do not check this paragraph #4 if member vote was required or if the required vote of directors or incorporators was not obtained.)

5. If the approval of the members was required to adopt the amendment(s), provide the following information:

(a) Designation (Classes of Membership) _____

(b) Number of memberships outstanding _____

(c) Number of votes entitled to be cast by each class entitled to vote separately on the amendment _____

(d) Number of votes of each class indisputably voting on the amendment _____

(e) Complete one of the following as appropriate

(i) Total number of votes cast for and against the amendment by each class entitled to vote separately

(ii) Total number of undisputed votes cast for the amendment by each class which was sufficient for approval for that class

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PALMETTO POLICY FORUM

Filing Fee: \$10.00 ORIG



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South Carolina Secretary of State

Palmetto Fort Foundation

Name of Corporation

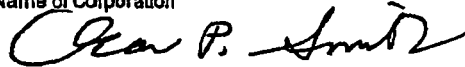
6. ☐ By checking this paragraph #6 the applicant represents that approval of the amendment by some person or persons other than the members, the board, or the incorporators is required pursuant to Section 33-31-1030 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, and that the approval was obtained. (Do not mark paragraph #6 if either of these statements is not true.)
7. If the amendment provides for an exchange, reclassification, or cancellation of memberships, provisions for implementing the amendment must be set forth here if provisions are not contained in the amendment itself _____
8. ☐ If this corporation is converting from either a public benefit or religious corporation into a mutual benefit corporation, mark this paragraph #8 which certifies that a notice, including a copy of the proposed amendment, was delivered to the South Carolina Attorney General at least twenty days before the consummation of the amendment.

11/15/2012

Date

Palmetto Fort Foundation

Name of Corporation



Signature of Officer

Oran P. Smith

Type or Print Name

President, CEO, Board

Position of Officer

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Two copies of this form must be submitted for filing.
2. Filing fee of \$10.00 payable to the Secretary of State
3. A self addressed stamped return envelope.
4. If the space in this form is insufficient, please attach additional sheets containing a reference to the appropriate paragraph in this form, or prepare this using a computer disk which will allow for expansion of space on the form.

Mail to: Secretary of State
Attn: Corporations
1205 Pendleton St, Suite 525
Columbia, SC 29201

Form Revised by South Carolina Secretary of State, March 2012



**Board Actions
November 15, 2012**

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Bylaws of The Palmetto Fort Foundation, this document shall serve as consent of a majority of the Board of Directors to the following actions:

- I. The name of the organization was changed from The Palmetto Fort Foundation to **Palmetto Policy Forum**.
- II. The address of the organization was changed from 1301 Gervais Street, Suite 901 Columbia, SC 29201 to **PO Box 12676, Columbia, SC 29211**.

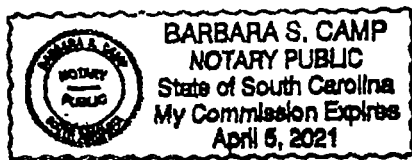
Respectfully submitted,

Oran P. Smith
President & CEO
for the Board of Directors

SWORN before me this 14th day of November, 2012.

Notary Public for South Carolina

My commission expires: April 5, 2021



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Form

8822-B**Change of Address — Business**

(January 2012)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► Please type or print.

OMB No. 1545-1163

► See instructions on back. ► Do not attach this form to your return.

Before you begin: If you are also changing your home address, use Form 8822 to report that change.Check **all** boxes this change affects:

- 1 ☒ Employment, excise, income, and other business returns (Forms 720, 940, 940-EZ, 941, 990, 1041, 1065, 1120, etc.)
- 2 ☐ Employee plan returns (Forms 5500, 5500-EZ, etc.)
- 3 ☒ Business location

4a Business name Plametto Fort Foundation	4b Employer identification number 26-3077338
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5 Old mailing address (no., street, room or suite no., city or town, state, and ZIP code). If a P.O. box, see instructions. If foreign address, also complete spaces below, see instructions.

c/o Tom O DeLoach, 1122 Lady St, Columbia, SC 29201

Foreign country name	Foreign province/county	Foreign postal code
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6 New mailing address (no., street, room or suite no., city or town, state, and ZIP code). If a P.O. box, see instructions. If foreign address, also complete spaces below, see instructions.

1612 Marlon St, Suite 312, Columbia, SC 29201

Foreign country name	Foreign province/county	Foreign postal code
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7 New business location, if different from mailing address (no., street, room or suite no., city or town, state, and ZIP code). If a foreign address also complete spaces below, see instructions.

Foreign country name	Foreign province/county	Foreign postal code
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8 Signature

Daytime telephone number of person to contact (optional) ► 803-996-9244

Sign Here

Signature of owner, officer, or representative

Board Member

Title

DR. ORAN P. SMITH

Date

1/24/2013

Where To File

Send this form to the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service Center, and the address shown next that applies to you.

IF your old business address was in . . .**THEN use this address . . .**Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois,
Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan,
New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio,
Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont,
Virginia, West Virginia, WisconsinCincinnati, OH
45999-0023Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida,
Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi,
Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota,
Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington,
Wyoming, any place outside the United StatesOgden, UT
84201-0023

Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172

2012Attachment
Sequence No **179**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return

PALMETTO POLICY FORUM

Identifying number

26-3077338

Business or activity to which this form relates

GENERAL DEPRECIATION**Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179****Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.**

1	Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2011 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2013 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	368.

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**Section A**

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2012	17	
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here		

Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

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

Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

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

Part IV Summary (See instructions.)

21	Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations - see instructions	22	368.
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

Part V Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement)

Note: For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete **only** 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable

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

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

Section B - Information on Use of Vehicles

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

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

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

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

37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	Yes	No
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners		
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?		
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?		
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions)		

Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles.

Part VI Amortization

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2012 tax year (see instructions)					
43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2012 tax year					43
44 Total. Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report					44

DEPRECIATION

AMORTIZATION						
Asset description	Date placed in service	Cost or basis	Accumulated amortization	Ending accumulated amortization	Code	Life
TOTALS						

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