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Form 990

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

EXTENSION GRANTED TO NOVEMBER 17, 2014

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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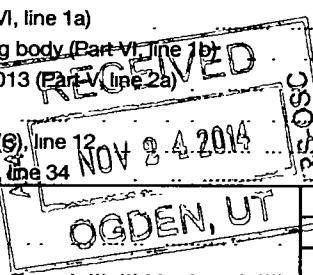
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A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

B Check if applicable.	C Name of organization <b>A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.</b>		D Employer identification number <b>45-5348055</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Doing Business As Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) <b>8216 PRINCETON- GLENDALE ROAD</b>		Room/suite <b>172</b>
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>WEST CHESTER, OH 45069-1675</b>		
	F Name and address of principal officer <b>ERIC WIEGERS</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		
I Tax-exempt status: <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( 4 ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			E Telephone number <b>513-342-4640</b>
J Website: ► <b>N/A</b>			G Gross receipts \$ <b>1,033,825.</b>
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ►			H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
			H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
			H(c) Group exemption number ►

L Year of formation: **2012** M State of legal domicile: **OH**

## Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>THE ORGANIZATION'S MISSION IS TO PROMOTE THE COMMON GOOD AND GENERAL WELFARE BY SUPPORTING DIRECT</b>		
	2 Check this box ► <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)		
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)		
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2013 (Part VI, line 2a)		
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)		
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (S), line 12 b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34		
 <b>NOV 24 2014</b>			
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year <b>8,203,545.</b>	Current Year <b>1,033,825.</b>
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0.	0.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0.	0.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	0.	0.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>8,203,545.</b>	<b>1,033,825.</b>
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	356,700.	132,500.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	0.	0.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<b>211,149.</b>	<b>51,250.</b>
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► <b>51,250.</b>		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	<b>7,625,465.</b>	<b>140,463.</b>
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>8,193,314.</b>	<b>324,213.</b>
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>10,231.</b>	<b>709,612.</b>	
Expenses	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year <b>10,231.</b>	End of Year <b>719,843.</b>
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	0.	0.
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<b>10,231.</b>	<b>719,843.</b>

## Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	► Signature of officer <i>Eric C. Wieggers</i>	Date <b>11/11/14</b>			
	► ERIC WIEGERS, TREASURER				
	Type or print name and title				
Paid	Print/Type preparer's name <b>JOHN T. LIND</b>	Preparer's signature <b>JOHN T. LIND</b>	Date <b>11/06/14</b>	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN <b>P00099011</b>
Preparer	Firm's name ► <b>CLARK, SCHAEFER, HACKETT &amp; CO.</b>	Firm's EIN ► <b>31-0800053</b>			
Use Only	Firm's address ► <b>ONE EAST FOURTH ST, SUITE 1200 CINCINNATI, OH 45202</b>	Phone no. <b>513-241-3111</b>			

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

 Yes  No

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SEE SCHEDULE O FOR ORGANIZATION MISSION STATEMENT CONTINUATION

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**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III  X

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission.

**THE ORGANIZATION'S MISSION IS TO PROMOTE THE COMMON GOOD AND GENERAL WELFARE BY SUPPORTING DIRECT DEMOCRACY EFFORTS, WHICH GIVE THE PUBLIC A DIRECT VOICE IN THE OPERATION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE APPROVAL (OR DEFEAT) OF AMENDMENTS TO STATE CONSTITUTIONS AND**

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?  Yes  No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?  Yes  No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ **145,070.** including grants of \$ **118,000.**) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)  
**THE ORGANIZATION SUPPORTED A DIRECT DEMOCRACY EFFORT TO REFORM THE CITY OF CINCINNATI'S PENSION SYSTEM.**

4b (Code \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ **104,126.** including grants of \$ **14,500.**) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)  
**THE ORGANIZATION ENGAGED IN GENERAL EFFORTS TO SUPPORT DIRECT DEMOCRACY.**

4c (Code \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ **8,711.** including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)  
**THE ORGANIZATION CONCLUDED ITS EFFORTS IN OPPOSITION TO THE CITIZEN-INITIATED PETITION TO AMEND THE OHIO CONSTITUTION TO CHANGE THE PROCESS AND CRITERIA FOR THE DRAWING OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT LINES FOR OHIO'S CONGRESSIONAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS.**

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

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

4e Total program service expenses ► **257,907.**

## Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

- 1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)?  
If "Yes," complete Schedule A
- 2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, *Schedule of Contributors*?
- 3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I
- 4 **Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II
- 5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III
- 6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I
- 7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II
- 8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III
- 9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV
- 10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V
- 11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable
- a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI
- b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII
- c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII
- d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX
- e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X
- f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X
- 12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII
- b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year?  
If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional
- 13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E
- 14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?
- b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV
- 15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV
- 16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV
- 17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I
- 18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II
- 19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III
- 20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H
- b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?

	Yes	No
1		X
2	X	
3		X
4		
5		X
6		X
7		X
8		X
9		X
10		X
11a		X
11b		X
11c		X
11d		X
11e		X
11f		X
12a		X
12b		X
13		X
14a		X
14b		X
15		X
16		X
17	X	
18		X
19		X
20a		X
20b		

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## Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21 X	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22 X	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23 X	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K If "No", go to line 25a	24a X	
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a X	
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b X	
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If so, complete Schedule L, Part II	26 X	
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27 X	
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a X	
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b X	
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c X	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29 X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30 X	
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31 X	
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32 X	
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33 X	
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	34 X	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a X	
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, 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," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36 X	
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37 X	
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19?	38 X	

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

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## Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V 

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	7
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	0
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <i>Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)</i>	2b	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►  See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts	5a	X
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5b	X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5c	
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	6a	X
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6b	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	7a	
7	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>	7b	
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7c	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7d	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7e	
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7f	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7g	
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7h	
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	8	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	9a	
8	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	9b	
9	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter	10a	
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10b	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
11	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter	11a	
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11b	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		
12a	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>	13a	
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?		
	<i>Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O</i>		
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

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**Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure** For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

### Section A. Governing Body and Management

- 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year  
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.
- 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent
- 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?
- 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?
- 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?
- 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?
- 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?
- 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?
- b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?
- 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:
- a The governing body?
- b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?
- 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O

	Yes	No
1a	1	
1b	1	
2		X
3	X	
4	X	
5	X	
6	X	
7a		X
7b	X	
8a	X	
8b	X	
9		X

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

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

	Yes	No
10a		X
10b		
11a	X	
12a	X	
12b	X	
12c	X	
13	X	
14		X
15a		X
15b		X
16a		X
16b		

### Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **NONE**
- 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply
- Own website  Another's website  Upon request  Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
- 20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ► **ERIC WIEGERS, C/O LANGDON LAW LLC - 513-577-7380**
- 8913 CINCINNATI DAYTON ROAD, WEST CHESTER, OH 45069**

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation
  - Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid
  - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee"
  - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations
  - List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
  - List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (B)  $\frac{1}{3}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{4}$       (D)  $\frac{1}{5}$       (E)  $\frac{1}{6}$       (F)  $\frac{1}{7}$

(4) Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_ Average \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Reportable \_\_\_\_\_ Reportable \_\_\_\_\_

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

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	3	X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	4	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person	5	X

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**Section B. Independent Contractors**

- 1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
JENSON STRATEGIC PARTNERS, LLC, 3290 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY, STE. 675, ATLANTA, GA	CONSULTING AND FUNDRAISING	109,967.
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 for services in the calendar year ►	1	

## Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII 

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 1,033,825.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
<b>h Total. Add lines 1a-1f</b>		► 1,033,825.				
Program Service Revenue	2 a	Business Code				
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	<b>g Total. Add lines 2a-2f</b>		►			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)					
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	b Less rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c Gain or (loss)					
d Net gain or (loss)						
8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a					
b Less direct expenses	b					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		►				
9 a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a					
b Less direct expenses	b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		►				
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
b Less cost of goods sold	b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		►				
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	Business Code					
11 a						
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
<b>e Total. Add lines 11a-11d</b>		►				
<b>12 Total revenue. See instructions.</b>		► 1,033,825.	0.	0.	0.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX  X

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21	132,500.	132,500.		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal	33,837.	27,070.	6,767.	
c Accounting	7,878.		7,878.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	51,250.			51,250.
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	98,337.	98,337.		
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses				
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a <b>BANK AND PROCESSING FEE</b>	411.		411.	
b _____				
c _____				
d _____				
e All other expenses _____				
25 Total functional expenses Add lines 1 through 24e	324,213.	257,907.	15,056.	51,250.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				
Check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

## Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X 

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	10,231.	1	719,843.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr) Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b		10c
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		15	
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	10,231.	16	719,843.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	0.	26	0.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0.	30	0.
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0.	31	0.
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	10,231.	32	719,843.
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	10,231.	33	719,843.
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	10,231.	34	719,843.

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**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI 

1 Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,033,825.
2 Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	324,213.
3 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	709,612.
4 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	10,231.
5 Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6 Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7 Investment expenses	7	
8 Prior period adjustments	8	
9 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10 Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	719,843.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII 

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?	2a	X
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both		
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	2b	X
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both		
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
2c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	2c	
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	3a	X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b	

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

## **Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

OMB No 1545-0047

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► Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form\\_990](http://www.irs.gov/form_990).

organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization

A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.

**Employer identification number**  
**45-5348055**

## Part I

**Fundraising Activities.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply

  - a  Mail solicitations
  - b  Internet and email solicitations
  - c  Phone solicitations
  - d  In-person solicitations
  - e  Solicitation of non-government grants
  - f  Solicitation of government grants
  - g  Special fundraising events

- 2 a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?

- b** If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5 000 by the organization

- 3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

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SEE PART IV FOR CONTINUATIONS**

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**Part II. Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000

	(a) Event #1 (event type)	(b) Event #2 (event type)	(c) Other events (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts			
	2 Less Contributions			
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)			
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes			
	5 Noncash prizes			
	6 Rent/facility costs			
	7 Food and beverages			
	8 Entertainment			
	9 Other direct expenses			
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)			►
	11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)			►

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a

	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue			
	2 Cash prizes			
	3 Noncash prizes			
Direct Expenses	4 Rent/facility costs			
	5 Other direct expenses			
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)			►
	8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)			►

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities \_\_\_\_\_

a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?  Yes  No

b If "No," explain \_\_\_\_\_

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain \_\_\_\_\_

- 11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?  Yes  No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?  Yes  No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in
- a The organization's facility
  - b An outside facility
- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
13a	%
13b	%

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Address ► \_\_\_\_\_

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?  Yes  No

- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Address ► \_\_\_\_\_

16 Gaming manager information

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ► \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Director/officer  Employee  Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?  Yes  No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part IV** Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions)

**SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B, LIST OF TEN HIGHEST PAID FUNDRAISERS:**

**(I) NAME OF FUNDRAISER: JENSON STRATEGIC PARTNERS, LLC**

**(I) ADDRESS OF FUNDRAISER:**

**3290 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY, STE. 675, ATLANTA, GA 30327**

## Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

► Attach to Form 990.

► Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

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

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

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## Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.  
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A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.

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### FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

DEMOCRACY EFFORTS, WHICH GIVE THE PUBLIC A DIRECT VOICE IN THE  
OPERATION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE APPROVAL (OR  
DEFEAT) OF AMENDMENTS TO STATE CONSTITUTIONS AND LOCAL CHARTERS, AND  
STATE AND LOCAL LEGISLATION.

### FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

LOCAL CHARTERS, AND STATE AND LOCAL LEGISLATION.

### FORM 990, PART III, LINE 2, NEW PROGRAM SERVICES:

EXPLANATION: THE ORGANIZATION'S ORIGINAL PURPOSE WAS TO OPPOSE A  
STATEWIDE BALLOT ISSUE THAT WOULD HAVE AMENDED THE OHIO CONSTITUTION TO  
CHANGE OHIO'S REDISTRICTING PROCESS. THE ORGANIZATION HAS SINCE  
EXPANDED ITS MISSION, AS STATED ON LINE 1 OF PART III.

### FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 4:

EXPLANATION: THE ORGANIZATION CHANGED ITS NAME FROM PROTECT YOUR VOTE OHIO,  
INC. TO A PUBLIC VOICE, INC. ON 4/17/2013. A COPY OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND A COPY OF THE FILING WITH THE OHIO SECRETARY  
OF STATE ARE ATTACHED.

THE ORGANIZATION ALSO AMENDED ITS BYLAWS (ATTACHED).

### FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11:

EXPLANATION: THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY IS TO SUBMIT A DRAFT OF THE ANNUAL  
FORM 990 AND RELATED SCHEDULES AND FORMS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRIOR TO

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Name of the organization

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Employer identification number  
45-5348055

FILING THE FORM 990 WITH THE IRS. OFFICIAL ACTION BY THE BOARD IS NOT REQUIRED IN ORDER FOR FORM 990 TO BE FILED, BUT EACH BOARD MEMBER IS ENCOURAGED TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FORM 990.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

EXPLANATION: EACH INTERESTED PERSON MUST DISCLOSE POSSIBLE OR ACTUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST. AFTER DISCLOSURE, THE BOARD SHALL DECIDE IF A CONFLICT EXISTS. IF A CONFLICT DOES EXIST, THE BOARD WILL DETERMINE IF THE TRANSACTION CAUSING THE CONFLICT COULD BE AVOIDED BY STRUCTURING THE TRANSACTION WITH A PARTY THAT IS NOT AN INTERESTED PARTY. IF A MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TRANSACTION IS NOT REASONABLY POSSIBLE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES NOT PRODUCING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, THE BOARD WILL VOTE ON WHETHER THE TRANSACTION IS IN THE ORGANIZATION'S BEST INTEREST.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

EXPLANATION: IT IS THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY TO FULLY COMPLY WITH ALL FEDERAL AND STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO IRS FORMS. THE ORGANIZATION WILL FULFILL REQUESTS FOR APPLICABLE FORMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS. GOVERNING DOCUMENTS SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE RULES WILL BE MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AS APPLICABLE LAW MAY REQUIRE. OTHERWISE, THE DOCUMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AFTER CONSULTATION WITH PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

CONSULTING:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 90,337.

MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0.

FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0.

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2013)

Name of the organization

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45-5348055TOTAL EXPENSES 90,337.SURVEY RESEARCH:PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 8,000.MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0.FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0.TOTAL EXPENSES 8,000.TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A 98,337.

# Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-1709

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

► File a separate application for each return.  
► Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form8868](http://www.irs.gov/form8868)

- 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](http://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.*

Type or print	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. <b>A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.</b> <b>FKA PROTECT YOUR VOTE OHIO, INC.</b>	Employer identification number (EIN) or <b>45-5348055</b>
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <b>8216 PRINCETON-GLENDALE ROAD, NO. 172</b>	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <b>WEST CHESTER, OH 45069-1675</b>	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)  0  1

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	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 ORGANIZATION - 8216 PRINCETON-GLENDALE ROAD, NO. 172**

- The books are in the care of ► **- WEST CHESTER, OH 45069-1675**  
Telephone No. ► **513-342-4640** 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 **AUGUST 15, 2014**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension

is for the organization's return for:

►  calendar year **2013** or

►  tax year beginning  , and ending  .

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 Forms 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 Forms 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 funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II and check this box  ► **X**

Note. Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I (on page 1).

**Part II: Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only file the original (no copies needed).

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.  A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.  FKA PROTECT YOUR VOTE OHIO, INC.	Employer identification number (EIN) or  45-5348055
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions.  8216 PRINCETON-GLENDALE ROAD, NO. 172	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.  WEST CHESTER, OH 45069-1675	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) ..... **0 1**

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01		
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	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

**STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.**

THE ORGANIZATION - 8216 PRINCETON-GLENDALE ROAD, NO. 172

- The books are in the care of ► - WEST CHESTER, OH 45069-1675  
Telephone No. ► 513-342-4640 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.

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until NOVEMBER 15, 2014.

5 For calendar year 2013, or other tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_.

6 If the tax year entered in line 5 is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  
 Change in accounting period

7 State in detail why you need the extension

**ADDITIONAL TIME IS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION NECESSARY TO  
PREPARE A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RETURN.**

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c Balance due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c	\$	0.

**Signature and Verification must be completed for Part II only.**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ► Jul T. Ladd

Title ► CPA

Date ► 8-11-2014

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**Receipt**

This is not a bill. Please do not remit payment.

LANGDON LAW LLC  
ATTN: DAVID R. LANGDON  
8913 CINCINNATI-DAYTON RD.  
WEST CHESTER, OH 45069

**STATE OF OHIO  
CERTIFICATE**

**Ohio Secretary of State, Jon Husted**

2108718

It is hereby certified that the Secretary of State of Ohio has custody of the business records for  
A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.

and, that said business records show the filing and recording of:

Document(s)

DOMESTIC/AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES

Document No(s):

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Effective Date: 04/17/2013



United States of America  
State of Ohio  
Office of the Secretary of State

Witness my hand and the seal of  
the Secretary of State at Columbus,  
Ohio this 18th day of April, A.D  
2013.

Ohio Secretary of State



Form 541 Prescribed by:  
**JON HUSTED**  
**Ohio Secretary of State**

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Mail this form to one of the following:

Regular Filing (non expedite)  
P.O. Box 1329  
Columbus, OH 43216

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time requires an additional \$100.00).  
P.O. Box 1390  
Columbus, OH 43216

**Certificate of Amendment  
(Nonprofit, Domestic Corporation)**  
**Filing Fee: \$50**

Check the appropriate box:

- Amendment to existing Articles of Incorporation by Members pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 1702.38(C) (128-AMD)
- Amended and Restated Articles by Members pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 1702.38(D) or by Directors pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 1702.38(E) (126-AMAN) - The following articles supersede the existing articles and all amendments thereto.

Complete the following information:

Name of Corporation **Protect Your Vote Ohio**

Charter Number **2108718**

Article I of the Articles of Incorporation is amended as follows:

The name of the Corporation is A Public Voice, Inc.

126-AMAN L1 2/28/13

A copy of the resolution of amendment must be attached to this document.

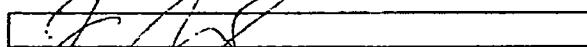
Note: If amended and restated articles were adopted, amended articles must set forth all provisions required in original articles other than with respect to the initial directors pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 1702.38(A). In the case of adoption of the resolution by the directors, a statement of the basis for such adoption shall be provided.

**Required**

Must be signed by an authorized officer of the Corporation pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code section 1702.38(G)

If authorized representative is an individual, then they must sign in the "signature" box and print their name in the "Print Name" box.

If authorized representative is a business entity, not an individual, then please print the business name in the "signature" box, an authorized representative of the business entity must sign in the "By" box and print their name in the "Print Name" box.



Signature

By (if applicable)

Print Name

Signature

By (if applicable)

Print Name

**PROTECT YOUR VOTE OHIO, INC.****DIRECTOR'S ACTION BY UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT**

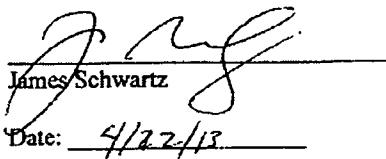
The undersigned, constituting the Director of Protect Your Vote Ohio, an Ohio nonprofit corporation (the "Corporation"), under the authority of the Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law and, more specifically, Section 1702.25 of the Ohio Revised Code, adopts the following resolution on behalf of the Corporation:

**WHEREAS**, the Corporation desires to amend its Articles of Incorporation to change the Corporation's name.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Article I of the Articles of Incorporation is amended as follows:

The name of the Corporation is A Public Voice, Inc.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this instrument as of the date set forth below his signature.



James Schwartz  
Date: 4/22/13

**AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS  
of  
A PUBLIC VOICE, INC.**

**Article I  
ORGANIZATION**

A Public Voice, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Corporation") is a 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization, incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio. It is governed by the A Public Voice Board of Directors.

**Article II  
PURPOSE**

1. The Corporation is governed by and operates under Chapter 1702 of the Ohio Revised Code (hereinafter, "Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law"). The Corporation is specifically entitled to the benefits of the terms and provisions of that law.
2. The Corporation is organized and shall be operated not for profit or for the private gain of any person, but exclusively for the promotion of social welfare, as provided in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (and any corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Code"), and also for educational purposes as provided in section 501(c)(3) of the Code.
3. In support of its express purposes, as set forth in its Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation is authorized to conduct all lawful affairs for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio, but limited to those activities permissible under section 501(c)(4) of the Code, including educational activities, the promotion of legislation, and, as incidental to its exempt purposes, the support of candidates for public office. The Organization's primary purpose is to support direct democracy efforts, which give the public a direct voice in the operation of state and local government through the approval (or defeat) of (i) amendments to state constitutions and local charters, and (ii) state and local legislation by the voters.
4. The Corporation is authorized to receive and administer funds for the benefit of the Corporation or its successors, and to take, hold, and dispose of any property in such manner as, within the limits imposed by these Bylaws or by law, the Board of Directors determines will best promote the purposes of the Corporation.

Article III  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. *Power of Directors.* Subject to the limitations of the Articles of Incorporation, Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law, and the duties of Directors as prescribed by these Bylaws, all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board of Directors, which shall also control all the business and affairs of the Corporation.
  - a. *General Powers as to Negotiable Paper.* The Board shall, from time to time, prescribe the manner of signature or endorsement of checks, drafts, notes, acceptances, bills of exchange, obligations and other negotiable paper or other instruments for the payment of money and shall designate the officer or officers, agent or agents, who shall from time to time be authorized to make, sign or endorse the same on behalf of the Corporation.
  - b. *Powers as to Other Documents.* The Board may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or to execute or deliver any conveyance or other instrument in the name of the Corporation; such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. When the Board has specifically authorized the execution of any contract, conveyance, or other instrument without specification of the officers authorized to execute, the same may be executed on behalf of the Corporation by the President or any Vice-President, by the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary, or by the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer.
2. *Number.* The number of Directors on the Board shall be determined from time to time by the Board. Such number shall never be less than two and never more than twelve.
3. *Election and Term.* Directors shall be elected by the vote of the majority of the Board at the Annual Meeting of the Corporation and shall serve one year terms. The terms of Directors shall commence as of the date of their election.
4. *Compensation.* Directors may receive such compensation, if any, for their services, and such reimbursement for expenses, as may be fixed or determined by resolution of the Board.
5. *Resignation.* Any Director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Corporation.
6. *Removal.* Any Director may be removed with or without cause at any time by a majority vote of all of the Directors at a regular meeting or at a special meeting called for such purpose. The Director being considered for removal shall be entitled to not less than seven days written notice of the meeting at which his or her removal is to be considered. The Director shall not be entitled to vote on his or her own removal and shall not be counted for purposes of determining whether the majority vote requirement has been

satisfied. The term of office of a Director who has been removed pursuant to this Section shall forthwith terminate, and there shall be a vacancy in the Board.

7. *Vacancies.* Any vacancy or vacancies in the Board, from whatever cause arising, may be filled by the vote of a majority of the remaining Directors. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected to fulfill the unexpired term of that Director's predecessor in office.

#### Article IV OFFICERS

1. *Election of Officers.* At the Organizational Meeting of the Corporation, and thereafter at each Annual Meeting of the Board, the Directors shall elect a President of the Corporation (who may also be called the "Executive Director"), a Treasurer, and a Secretary. Additionally, the Board may, from time to time, elect or appoint: a Chairman of the Board; a Vice Chairman of the Board; one or more Vice Presidents; an Assistant Secretary; an Assistant Treasurer; or such other officers and agents as may be desirable. The Directors shall also define the duties of these officers. Unless sooner removed, all officers shall hold office until the next annual election and until their successors shall be elected and qualify. The same person may hold more than one office. Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit a Director from serving as an officer of the Corporation as long as said Director does not participate in the vote to elect himself or herself as an officer.
2. *Chairman of the Board.* The Chairman of the Board shall preside over all meetings of the Board and shall have such other powers and duties as may be determined by the Board.
3. *Vice Chairman of the Board.* The Vice Chairman of the Board shall preside over all meetings of the Board in the absence of the Chairman and shall have such other powers and duties as may be determined by the Board.
4. *President.* The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall exercise the general management of the affairs of the Corporation, shall have all the powers and perform all the duties usually incident to the office of President, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her by the Board. The President is authorized to execute on behalf of the Corporation all documents to be filed with the Internal Revenue Service.
5. *Vice Presidents.* Each Vice President shall have such powers and perform such duties as shall be prescribed by the Board or by the President. The Vice Presidents, in the order designated by the Board of Directors or, lacking such designation, by the President, shall, in the absence or disability of the President, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President.

6. *Secretary.* The Secretary shall give notice of all meetings of the Board and all other notices required by law or by these Bylaws. The Secretary shall record all the proceedings of the meetings of the Board in a book or books to be kept for that purpose, and shall keep a register of the address of each Director as furnished to the Secretary from time to time by that Director, and shall make all proper changes in such register, retaining and filing authority for all such entries. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned to him or her by the Board or by the President. The Assistant Secretary shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him or her by the Board, the President, or the Secretary.
7. *Treasurers.* Unless otherwise decided by the Board, the Treasurer of the Corporation, or a person designated by him, shall have custody of all funds, securities, evidences of indebtedness, and other valuable documents of that corporation. The Treasurer or his designee shall receive and give receipts and acquittances for moneys paid to the Corporation, shall pay out the funds of the Corporation, and shall keep and have general supervision of the books of account of the Corporation. Whenever required by the Board or by the President of the Corporation, the Treasurer or his designee shall render a financial statement. The Treasurer or his designee shall have such other powers and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board or by the President. If required by action of the Board, the Treasurer or his designee shall give the Corporation a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall prescribe. The Assistant Treasurer shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him or her by the Board, the President, or the Treasurer.
8. *Compensation.* The officers of the Corporation may receive such reasonable compensation for their services as may be fixed by the Board from time to time, provided that no Director who is also an officer may vote on his or her own compensation and provided that the Board otherwise complies with Article XII of these Bylaws.
9. *Term of Office.* The term of office of all officers shall commence upon their election or appointment and shall continue until the next annual meeting of the Corporation and thereafter until their respective successors are chosen or until their resignation or removal. Subject to the provisions of any contract of employment, an officer may resign by written notice to the Corporation. The resignation shall be effective upon its receipt by the Corporation or at a subsequent time specified in the notice of resignation. The Board shall have the power to fill any vacancies in any offices occurring for whatever reason.
10. *Removal.* Subject to the provisions of any contract of employment, any officer may be removed summarily either with or without cause at any time by the Board. However, in the event that one of the officers to be removed is also a Director, that person shall not be able to vote on his or her own removal. Subject to the provisions of any contract of employment, the President may at any time with or without cause remove from office any subordinate officer or agent not appointed by the Board.

Article V  
MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

1. *Annual Meeting.* The annual meeting of the Board shall be held at such time and at such place as the Board may determine, for the purpose of electing or appointing Directors or Officers for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. Notice of the time and place of the annual meeting shall be given in the manner hereinafter provided.
2. *Regular Meetings.* Regular meetings of the Board may be held at such time and at such place as the Board may determine. Notice of the time and place of regular meetings shall be given in the manner hereinafter provided.
3. *Special Meetings.* Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President at the direction of not less than two Directors. Such meeting shall be held at such time and at such place as the Board may determine. Notice of the time and place of the meeting shall be given in the manner hereinafter provided.
4. *Quorum.* A majority of the Directors then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Board.
5. *Majority Vote.* Unless otherwise provided, if a quorum is present, all matters submitted to the Board shall be determined by a majority vote of the Directors present at a duly constituted meeting of the Board.
6. *Notice of Meeting.* Written notice of the time, place, and purpose for a regular or special meeting shall be sent by mail, fax, or email, or be delivered personally to each Director. If sent by mail, the notice shall be addressed to each Director at the place designated by that Director or, in the absence of such designation, at that Director's home address as it appears on the books of the Corporation. Such notice shall be delivered not less than three days prior to the date fixed in the notice of the meeting, except notice of an annual meeting shall be delivered no less than fourteen days prior to the date fixed in the notice of the meeting.
7. *Waiver of Notice.* Attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, unless the Director's express purpose for attending such meeting is to object to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
8. *Conduct of Meetings.* The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings thereof. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall preside, and in the absence of both, the voting members of the Board of Directors who are present shall

choose from among themselves a Chairman *pro tempore*. The Secretary of the Board of Directors shall act as Secretary of all meetings thereof, but in the absence of the Secretary, the person chairing the meeting shall appoint a Secretary *pro tempore*.

9. *Adjournment.* A quorum of the Directors may adjourn any Board meeting to meet again at a stated day and hour; provided, however, that in the absence of a quorum, a majority of the Directors present at any Board meeting, either regular or special, may adjourn from time to time until the time fixed for the next regular meeting of the Board.
10. *Validation of Defectively Called or Noticed Meetings.* If a quorum is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors and if, either before or after the meeting, each of the absent Directors or any Director who, though present, has prior to the meeting protested the lack of proper notice to him signs a written waiver of notice or a consent to holding such meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof, the transactions of that meeting, however called and noticed or wherever held, shall be as valid as though conducted at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice. All such waivers, consents or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.
11. *Action without Meetings.* Any action which may be taken at a meeting of the Board may be taken without a meeting by the vote or approval of a majority of the Directors if such action is evidenced by a writing or writings signed by a majority of the Directors and filed with the records of the proceedings of the Corporation. Action taken pursuant to this Section may be by facsimile or electronic mail, signed by the Director as follows: “/s/ Name of Director.” The Secretary or Assistant Secretary shall be responsible for storing the electronic records and filing printed copies with the records of the proceedings of the Corporation.
12. *Telephone Conferences.* A Director may participate in a meeting of the Board by a conference telephone or similar communication equipment by which all persons participating in the meeting may hear each other if all participants are advised of the communications equipment and the names of the participants in the conference are divulged to all participants. Participation in a meeting pursuant to this Section constitutes presence in person at the meeting.

## Article VI COMMITTEES

The Board may designate one or more committees by resolution, each committee to consist of two or more of Directors. Each committee, to the extent provided in the resolution creating the same, shall have and may exercise the powers of the Board in the management of the property, business, and affairs of the Corporation, and may have power to authorize the corporate signature or seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all documents which may require it. The Committee, by the vote of a majority of its members, may fix its rules of procedure, determine its

manner of acting, and fix the time and place of its meetings and, unless the Board shall otherwise by resolutions provide may specify what notice thereof, if any, shall be given. Such committee may also take action without meeting by the unanimous consent in a writing or writings signed by a majority of all committee members. The Board shall have power to change the members of any such committee at any time, to fill vacancies therein, and to discharge any committee or to remove any member thereof, at any time, either with or without cause.

### Article VII ADVISORY BOARDS

The Board by resolution may designate one or more advisory boards, to be comprised of individuals who are not then acting Directors or Officers. Each advisory board and member thereof shall serve in an advisory capacity only, and shall have no voting power or authority to bind the Corporation unless such power or authority is specifically provided in the resolution creating the advisory board. The Board shall have power to change the members of any such advisory board at any time, to fill vacancies therein, and to discharge any advisory board or to remove any member thereof, at any time, either with or without cause.

### Article VIII INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

1. All the provisions of Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law shall govern the indemnification of persons who are or were Directors, Officers, employees, fiduciaries, or agents of the Corporation, each of whom shall be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by that law.
2. All of the provisions of Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law shall govern the purchase and maintenance of insurance by the Corporation on behalf of any person who is or was a Director, Officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of the Corporation.
3. The provisions of R.C. 1702.12(E)(5) concerning advancement of expenses do not apply to the Corporation.

### Article IX RESTRICTIONS ON ACTIVITIES

The Corporation is not formed for the pecuniary gain or profit of, and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its Directors, Officers, or other private persons; provided that the corporation may pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes, and distribute its assets on dissolution in accordance with these articles.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation described in section 501(c)(4) and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of the Code.

## Article X DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board shall wind up the affairs of the Corporation as speedily as practicable and, after paying or adequately providing for the payment of all known obligations of the Corporation, shall distribute the remainder of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation or to organizations organized and operated exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation described in section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Code in such manner as the Board shall determine. Any such assets not so distributed shall be applied in accordance with the law of the State of Ohio.

## ARTICLE XI CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

1. *Purpose.* The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect this tax-exempt Corporation's interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an Officer or Director of the Corporation or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations.
2. *Definitions.*
  - a. *Interested Person.* Any director, principal officer, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.
  - b. *Compensation* includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.
  - c. *Financial Interest.* A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family: (i) an ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, (ii) a compensation arrangement with the Corporation or with any entity or individual with which the Corporation has a transaction or arrangement, or (iii) a potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Corporation is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

[Note: A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Section 3(b), a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.]

3. *Procedures.*

- a. *Duty to Disclose.* In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- b. *Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists.* After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.
- c. *Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest.*
  - i. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
  - ii. The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
  - iii. After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the Corporation can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
  - iv. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Corporation's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.
- d. *Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy.*

- i. If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
  - ii. If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.
4. *Records of Proceedings.* The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:
  - a. The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
  - b. The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.
5. *Compensation.*
  - a. A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Corporation for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
  - b. A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Corporation for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
  - c. No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.
6. *Annual Statements.* Each director, principal officer and member of a committee with governing board delegated powers shall annually sign a statement which affirms such person:

- a. Has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy,
  - b. Has read and understands the policy,
  - c. Has agreed to comply with the policy, and
  - d. Understands that in order to maintain its federal tax exemption, the Corporation must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.
7. *Periodic Reviews.* To ensure the Corporation operates in a manner consistent with its exempt purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:
    - a. Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's length bargaining.
    - b. Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the Corporation's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further the Corporation's exempt purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

## Article XII BOARD REVIEW OF IRS FORM 990

It is the Corporation's policy to submit a draft of its annual IRS Form 990 along with related schedules and forms (collectively, the "Form 990") to the Board of Directors prior to the filing of the Form 990 with the Internal Revenue Service. While neither approval nor review of the Form 990 by the Board is required under federal law, the Corporation's Form 990 shall be provided to each member of the Board of Directors (by hard copy, facsimile, or email) at least seven days before the Form 990 is filed with the IRS. Official action by the Board is not required in order for the Form 990 to be filed, but each Board member is encouraged to review and approve the Form 990.

## Article XIII POLICY ON SUSPECTED MISCONDUCT, DISHONESTY, FRAUD, AND WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION

1. *Reporting and Investigation.* If any Director, Officer, or employee of the Corporation knows of or has a suspicion about misconduct, dishonesty or fraud, that person should

notify the President. If the alleged wrongdoing concerns the President, then the person should notify another Director or Officer of the Corporation instead. If the President or other Officer of the Corporation receives information about misconduct, dishonesty or fraud, he or she shall inform the Board (or, alternately, the Executive Committee, if such a Committee exists), which shall determine the procedure for investigating all credible allegations.

2. *Privacy.* At all times, the privacy and reputation of individuals involved will be respected. There will be no punishment or other retaliation for the reporting of conduct under this Article. If the person providing the information requests anonymity, this request will be respected to the extent that doing so does not impede any investigation.

#### Article XIV PUBLIC INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. *IRS Forms.* It is the Corporation's policy to fully comply with all federal (and, to the extent they are not preempted, state) public disclosure requirements, including the requirement to allow inspection of IRS Forms 990, 990-T, and 1024. The Corporation will fulfill all requests for the forms made in writing or in person in accordance with the applicable public disclosure requirements.
2. *Governing Documents.* If the governing documents (Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws) of the Corporation are subject to the federal public disclosure rules (or state public disclosure rules), these documents will be made publicly available as applicable law may require. Otherwise, the governing documents will be provided to the public at the discretion of the President after consultation with its tax and professional advisers.

#### Article XV MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

1. *Corporate Seal.* The Corporation may adopt a seal. If adopted, the seal shall contain the name of the Corporation and the year of its creation. Said seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or reproduced or otherwise.
2. *Fiscal Year.* The fiscal year for the Corporation shall end on December 31.
3. *Location of Records.* The records of the Corporation shall be located at 8913 Cincinnati-Dayton Rd., West Chester, Ohio 45069, unless and until a different place is established by resolution of the Board.
4. *Books and Records.* The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records on account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its Board and committees.

5. *Parliamentary Procedure.* To the extent applicable and not inconsistent with these Bylaws, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of the Board.

**Article XVI**  
**AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS**

The power to alter, amend, or repeal the Bylaws or adopt new Bylaws shall be vested in the Board, and said power may be exercised only by the unanimous vote of the Directors. Such action may be taken at a regular or special meeting for which written notice of the purpose shall be given by resolution of the Board. The Bylaws may contain any provisions for the regulation and management of the affairs of the Corporation not inconsistent with Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law or the Articles of Incorporation.