

Form 990

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2016

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

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Inspection

A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning

07/01, 2016, and ending

06/30, 2017

B Check if applicable		C Name of organization <b>INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE</b>			D Employer identification number 52-1744337	
Address change		Doing business as				
Name change		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)			Room/suite	E Telephone number (703) 682-9320
Initial return		901 NORTH GLEBE ROAD, STE 900				
Final return/ terminated		City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code				
Amended return		ARLINGTON, VA 22203				
Application pending		F Name and address of principal officer SCOTT G. BULLOCK 901 N. GLEBE RD STE. 900 ARLINGTON, VA 22203				G Gross receipts \$ 30,259,657.
I Tax-exempt status.		X 501(c)(3)	501(c)( )	(Insert no.)	4947(a)(1) or	H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
J Website.		► <a href="http://WWW.IJ.ORG">WWW.IJ.ORG</a>			527.	H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
K Form of organization		X Corporation	Trust	Association	Other ►	H(c) Group exemption number ►

## Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities **TO PROTECT THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF AMERICANS.**2 Check this box ►  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)	3	11.
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	9.
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	5	131.
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	50.
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.

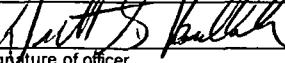
	RECEIVED			Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	8	JAN. 16 2018	IRS	26,553,699.	23,931,523.
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	9		IRS	452,549.	630,087.
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	10	OPEN: UT	IRS	508,302.	978,899.
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	11		IRS	319,411.	116,189.
12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	12		IRS	27,833,961.	25,656,698.

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	13	300,000.	10,000.
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	14	0.	0.
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	15	12,490,416.	15,189,846.
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	16a	0.	0.
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ►	1,840,231.		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	17	6,333,047.	7,112,417.
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	18	19,123,463.	22,312,263.
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	19	8,710,498.	3,344,435.

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	82,454,637.	88,765,216.
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	4,747,211.	5,593,305.
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	77,707,426.	83,171,911.

## 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	► 	05/15/2018
	Signature of officer	Date
	SCOTT G. BULLOCK	PRESIDENT
	Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Prepnt/Type preparer's name DANIEL O'SHEA	Preparer's signature 	Date 1/15/18	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00957510
	Firm's name ► COHNREZNICK LLP			Firm's EIN ► 22-1478099	
	Firm's address ► 7501 WISCONSIN AVENUE 400E BETHESDA, MD 20814-6583			Phone no	301-652-9100

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

ATTACHMENT 1

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  X 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  X 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 \$ 17,985,949 Including grants of \$ 10,000.) (Revenue \$ 680,766)

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LITIGATION; EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT ISSUES VITAL TO LIBERTY  
THROUGH MEDIA RELATIONS AND OUTREACH EVENTS; TRAIN LAWYERS AND  
STUDENTS TO PRESERVE CIVIL LIBERTIES. SEE SCHEDULE O FOR A LIST OF  
CASES IN LITIGATION.

4b (Code: \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

4c (Code: \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)

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

4e Total program service expenses ► 17,985,949.

## Part IV • Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A. . . . .	1 X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)? . . . . .	2 X	
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 . . . . .	3 X	
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. . . . .	4 X	
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. . . . .	5 X	
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. . . . .	6 X	
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. . . . .	7 X	
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III . . . . .	8 X	
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 . . . . .	9 X	
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. . . . .	10 X	
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 . . . . .	11a X	
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 . . . . .	11b X	
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 . . . . .	11c X	
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 . . . . .	11d X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X . . . . .	11e 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 . . . . .	11f X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII. . . . .	12a X	
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 . . . . .	12b X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E. . . . .	13 X	
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? . . . . .	14a X	
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 . . . . .	14b X	
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 . . . . .	15 X	
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 . . . . .	16 X	
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 (see instructions). . . . .	17 X	
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 . . . . .	18 X	
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 . . . . .	19 X	

## Part IV • Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H. . . . .	20a	X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? . . . . .	20b	
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic 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 or for domestic individuals 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	<b>Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> 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 "Yes," 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	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> 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? <b>Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O</b>	38	X

**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	81
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable. . . . .	1b	0
1c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? . . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	131
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions). . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? . . . . .	3a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► CAYMAN ISLANDS		
See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? . . . . .	5a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? . . . . .	5b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T? . . . . .	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions? . . . . .	6a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? . . . . .	6b	
7	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>	7a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
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? . . . . .	7b	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? . . . . .	7c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? . . . . .	7d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year . . . . .	7e	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .	7f	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .	7g	
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? . . . . .	7h	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C? . . . . .	8	
8	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year? . . . . .	9a	
9	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>	9b	
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. . . . .	11a	
11	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter	11b	
a	Gross income from members or shareholders. . . . .	12a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them) . . . . .	12b	
12a	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? . . . . .	13a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. . . . .	13b	
13	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>	13c	
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? . . . . .	14a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
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 . . . . .	14b	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year? . . . . .		
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		

<b>Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure</b> 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

Line	Description	Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year . . . . .	11	
1b	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	9	
2	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent . . . . .		X
3	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? . . . . .		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? . . . . .		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? . . . . .		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders? . . . . .		X
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? . . . . .		X
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? . . . . .		X
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .		X
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 . . . . .		X

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

Line	Description	Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? . . . . .		X
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? . . . . .		X
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? . . . . .		
16b			

**Section C. Disclosure**

17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► ATTACHMENT 2
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.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> 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, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records. ► DANIEL KNEPPER 901 NORTH GLEBE RD, STE 900 ARLINGTON, VA 22203 703-682-9320

**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) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) DAVID B. KENNEDY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(2) ARTHUR DANTCHIK DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(3) ROBERT GELFOND DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) ROBERT A. LEVY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) KENNETH N. LEVY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) JIM LINTOTT DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) STEPHEN MODZELEWSKI DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) MARY E. STIEFEL DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) ABIGAIL THERNSTROM DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) SCOTT BULLOCK PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL	40.00 0.	X	X					373,160.	0.	45,420.
(11) WILLIAM MELLOR FOUNDING GEN. COUNSEL/CHAIRMAN	40.00 0.	X	X					455,766.	0.	52,198.
(12) STEVEN ANDERSON (UNTIL 8/16) EXEC VP-CFO/SEC'Y & TREASURER	40.00 0.		X					189,613.	0.	45,534.
(13) DANIEL KNEPPER (FROM 8/16) MANAGING VP/CFO	40.00 0.		X					89,378.	0.	2,590.
(14) BETH STEVENS VP FOR DEVELOPMENT	40.00 0.			X				223,519.	0.	43,050.

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

	(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
			or director	Individual trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
( 15) DEBORAH SIMPSON	CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	40.00 0.			X			263,824.	0.	57,292.
( 16) DANA BERLINER	SR. VP AND LITIGATION DIRECTOR	40.00 0.			X			361,871.	0.	47,336.
( 17) JOHN KRAMER	VP FOR COMMUNICATIONS	40.00 0.			X			318,919.	0.	64,187.
( 18) ROBERT GALL	SENIOR ATTORNEY (TEXAS)	40.00 0.			X			230,377.	0.	59,105.
( 19) CLARK NEILY	SENIOR ATTORNEY (TEXAS)	40.00 0.				X		198,804.	0.	59,805.
( 20) ROBERT McNAMARA	SENIOR ATTORNEY	40.00 0.				X		230,047.	0.	47,074.
( 21) RICHARD KOMER	SENIOR ATTORNEY	40.00 0.				X		215,435.	0.	49,397.
( 22) JEFF ROWES	SENIOR ATTORNEY (TEXAS)	40.00 0.				X		216,733.	0.	55,848.
( 23) PAUL SHERMAN	SENIOR ATTORNEY	40.00 0.				X		182,670.	0.	37,650.
<b>1b Sub-total</b>								<b>1,331,436.</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>188,792.</b>
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>								<b>2,218,680.</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>477,694.</b>
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								<b>3,550,116.</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>666,486.</b>

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 13

Yes	No
3	X
4	X
5	X

## 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
ATTACHMENT 3		
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ► 5		

**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
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b> Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1a</b>			
	<b>b</b> Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1b</b>			
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1c</b>			
	<b>d</b> Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1d</b>			
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) . . . . .	<b>1e</b>			
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above . . . . .	<b>1f</b> 23,931,523.			
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f. \$ . . . . .	<b>3,491,827</b>			
	<b>h</b> Total. Add lines 1a-1f . . . . . ►	<b>23,931,523</b>			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>		<b>Business Code</b>			
	<b>2a</b> ATTORNEY FEES	<b>541100</b>	611,587	611,587	
	<b>b</b> HONORARIA	<b>900099</b>	18,500	18,500	
	<b>c</b>				
	<b>d</b>				
	<b>e</b>				
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue . . . . .				
	<b>g</b> Total. Add lines 2a-2f . . . . . ►		630,087.		
	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts). . . . . ►		758,097.		758,097
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . ►		0		
	<b>5</b> Royalties . . . . . ►		0		
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal		
	<b>6a</b> Gross rents . . . . .	<b>65,510</b>			
	<b>b</b> Less rental expenses . . . . .				
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) . . . . .	<b>65,510</b>			
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) . . . . . ►		65,510		
	<b>7a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory . . . . .				
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other		
	<b>b</b> Less cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	<b>4,823,761</b>			
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) . . . . .	<b>4,602,959.</b>			
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) . . . . . ►	<b>220,802</b>			
	<b>8a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ . . . . . of contributions reported on line 1c)				
	See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>a</b> 0			
	<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . .	<b>b</b> 0			
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . . ►		0		
	<b>9a</b> Gross income from gaming activities.				
	See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>a</b> 0			
	<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . .	<b>b</b> 0			
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . . ►		0		
	<b>10a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>a</b> 0			
	<b>b</b> Less cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>b</b> 0			
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . . ►		0		
	<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>Business Code</b>			
	<b>11a</b> OTHER INCOME	<b>541110</b>	50,679	50,679	
	<b>b</b>				
	<b>c</b>				
	<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .				
	<b>e</b> Total. Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . ►		50,679		
	<b>12</b> Total revenue. See instructions . . . . . ►		25,656,698.	680,766	758,097

**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 

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>	<b>(A) Total expenses</b>	<b>(B) Program service expenses</b>	<b>(C) Management and general expenses</b>	<b>(D) Fundraising expenses</b>
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21 . . . . .	10,000.	10,000.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .	0.			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .	0.			
4 Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	0.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	3,364,389.	2,807,061.	312,954.	244,374.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages . . . . .	8,982,861.	7,520,542.	819,488.	642,831.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	1,308,675.	1,064,070.	129,651.	114,954.
9 Other employee benefits . . . . .	798,056.	644,107.	92,696.	61,253.
10 Payroll taxes . . . . .	735,865.	603,568.	79,563.	52,734.
11 Fees for services (non-employees) . . . . .				
a Management . . . . .	0.			
b Legal . . . . .	95,006.	48,837.	38,200.	7,969.
c Accounting . . . . .	107,849.		102,429.	5,420.
d Lobbying . . . . .	52,500.	52,500.		
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17. . . . .	0.			
f Investment management fees . . . . .	3,027.			3,027.
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O) . . . . .	1,299,080.	857,915.	301,489.	139,676.
12 Advertising and promotion . . . . .	62,154.	59,892.	2,262.	
13 Office expenses . . . . .	802,326.	435,479.	75,447.	291,400.
14 Information technology . . . . .	141,814.	67,338.	51,125.	23,351.
15 Royalties. . . . .	0.			
16 Occupancy . . . . .	1,770,593.	1,404,539.	201,100.	164,954.
17 Travel . . . . .	830,381.	794,817.	11,766.	23,798.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .	0.			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	829,223.	823,111.	5,147.	965.
20 Interest . . . . .	3,353.		3,353.	
21 Payments to affiliates. . . . .	0.			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	360,528.	284,500.	42,270.	33,758.
23 Insurance . . . . .	139,730.	80,761.	56,138.	2,831.
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 <u>LEGAL RESEARCH TOOLS</u> . . . . .	239,862.	223,728.	287.	15,847.
b <u>BOOKS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS</u> . . . . .	68,071.	65,140.	1,260.	1,671.
c <u>FILING AND COURT FEES</u> . . . . .	79,437.	65,931.	7,718.	5,788.
d <u>EQUIPMENT</u> . . . . .	75,251.	47,017.	26,025.	2,209.
e All other expenses . . . . .	152,232.	25,096.	125,715.	1,421.
25 Total functional expenses Add lines 1 through 24e	22,312,263.	17,985,949.	2,486,083.	1,840,231.
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
	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	3,112,479.	1 6,958,771.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	15,957,973.	2 3,053,755.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	4,390,516.	3 4,206,997.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	356,400.	4 625,577.
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees		
	Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	5 0.
	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 instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	6 0.
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0.	7 0.
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0.	8 0.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	147,338.	9 297,360.
Assets	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 4,566,715.	
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 3,231,527.	10c 1,022,555. 1,335,188.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	51,131,882.	11 65,744,923.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	5,978,107.	12 6,406,005.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0.	13 0.
	14 Intangible assets	0.	14 0.
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	357,387.	15 136,640.
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	82,454,637.	16 88,765,216.
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,549,948.	17 3,324,041.
	18 Grants payable	0.	18 0.
	19 Deferred revenue	75,099.	19 0.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0.	20 0.
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0.	21 0.
Liabilities	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	0.	22 0.
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0.	23 0.
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0.	24 0.
	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	2,122,164.	25 2,269,264.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	4,747,211.	26 5,593,305.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.		
	27 Unrestricted net assets	65,259,761.	27 73,729,152.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	12,347,665.	28 9,342,759.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	100,000.	29 100,000.
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.		
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	77,707,426.	33 83,171,911.
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	82,454,637.	34 88,765,216.

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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	25,656,698.
2	22,312,263.
3	3,344,435.
4	77,707,426.
5	2,120,050.
6	0.
7	0.
8	0.
9	0.
10	83,171,911.

**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 type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" 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? . . . . . 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	2a	X
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . . 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	X
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? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	2c	X
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
3b 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 A**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

## Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2016

Open to Public  
Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

► **Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

**Name of the organization**

**Employer identification number**

52-1744337

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
<b>Total</b>						

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**Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016**

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants") . . . . .	18,598,848.	23,917,519.	30,397,072	26,553,699	23,931,523.	123,398,661
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						0.
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .	18,598,848	23,917,519	30,397,072.	26,553,699	23,931,523.	123,398,661.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f). . . . .						23,708,373
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						99,690,288

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4 . . . . .	18,598,848	23,917,519	30,397,072.	26,553,699.	23,931,523	123,398,661
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .	161,654	173,350	330,583	626,413	823,607	2,115,607
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						0
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI) . . . . .						0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10 . . . . .						125,514,268
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions) . . . . .					12	5,430,218
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	14	79.43 %
15 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	15	79.08 %
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants") . . . . .						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5 . . . . .						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year . . . . .						
c Add lines 7a and 7b. . . . .						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6) . . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6. . . . .						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
c Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI) . . . . .						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12) . . . . .						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

15 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . . . .	16	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

17 Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	18	%
19a 33 1/3 % support tests - 2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3 % support tests - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain	1	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.	3a	
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> when and how the organization made the determination.	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in <b>Part I</b> , answer (b) and (c) below	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.	4b	
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document)	5a	
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b	
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c	
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	6	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete <b>Part I</b> of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete <b>Part I</b> of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).	8	
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	9a	
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	9b	
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	9c	
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer 10b below.	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)	10b	

**Part IV · Supporting Organizations (continued)**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?	11a	
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b	
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.	11c	

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.	1	
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.	2	

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s)	1	

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?	1	
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s)	2	
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.	3	

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions)		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities	2a	
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement	2b	
3 Parent of Supported Organizations Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI.	3a	
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard	3b	

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations**

1  Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

<b>Section A - Adjusted Net Income</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3.	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
<b>8 Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4).	<b>8</b>		
<b>Section B - Minimum Asset Amount</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI).			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3		
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4		
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6 Multiply line 5 by .035.	6		
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
<b>8 Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	<b>8</b>		
<b>Section C - Distributable Amount</b>		Current Year	
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2 Enter 85% of line 1.	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
<b>6 Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	<b>6</b>		
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).			

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)**

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 <b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016			
2 (reasonable cause required-explain in Part VI) See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016:			
a			
b			
c From 2013. . . . .			
d From 2014. . . . .			
e From 2015. . . . .			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7. \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2016 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b Excess from 2013. . . .			
c Excess from 2014. . . .			
d Excess from 2015. . . .			
e Excess from 2016. . . .			

**Part VI Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527**

► Complete if the organization is described below. ► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
► Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

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

Name of organization

INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE

Employer identification number

52-1744337

**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV. (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) . . . . . ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) . . . . .

**Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955. . . . . ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 . . . . . ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? . . . . .

4a Was a correction made? . . . . .  Yes  No  
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities. . . . . ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities . . . . . ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b . . . . . ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? . . . . .  Yes  No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

**Part II-A** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

**A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).

**B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying) . . . . .	47,395.													
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) . . . . .	174,569.													
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) . . . . .	221,964.													
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures . . . . .	22,090,299.													
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) . . . . .	22,312,263.													
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	1,000,000.													
<table border="1"> <tr> <td>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</td> <td>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) . . . . .	250,000.													
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	0.	0.												
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	0.	0.												
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No												

**4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)**

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below.

See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount	854,416.	1,000,000.	1,000,000.	1,000,000.	3,854,416.
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					5,781,624.
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures	38,717.	112,819.	87,462.	221,964.	460,962.
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount	213,604.	250,000.	250,000.	250,000.	963,604.
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					1,445,406.
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures	5,383.	14,313.	12,523.	47,395.	79,614.

Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

**Part II-B** • Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes," response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)	
	Yes	No	Amount	
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:				
a Volunteers? . . . . .				
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)? . . . . .				
c Media advertisements? . . . . .				
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public? . . . . .				
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements? . . . . .				
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes? . . . . .				
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body? . . . . .				
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means? . . . . .				
i Other activities? . . . . .				
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i . . . . .				
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)? . . . . .				
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912 . . . . .				
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912 . . . . .				
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? . . . . .				

**Part III-A** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members? . . . . .	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? . . . . .	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year? . . . . .	3	

**Part III-B** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members . . . . .	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year . . . . .	2a	
b Carryover from last year. . . . .	2b	
c Total . . . . .	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues. . . . .	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year? . . . . .	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions) . . . . .	5	

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information

**Part IV Supplemental Information (continued)**

**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Financial Statements**► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,  
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.► Attach to Form 990.  
► Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year . . . . .		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year) . . . . .		
4 Aggregate value at end of year. . . . .		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).	
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements . . . . .	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements . . . . .	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a) . . . . .	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register . . . . .	2d
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►	
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►	
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►	
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$	
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements	

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.
b	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:
(i)	Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 . . . . . ► \$
(ii)	Assets included in Form 990, Part X . . . . . ► \$
2	If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items.
a	Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 . . . . . ► \$
b	Assets included in Form 990, Part X . . . . . ► \$

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**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)**

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

a  Public exhibitiond  Loan or exchange programsb  Scholarly researche  Other \_\_\_\_\_c  Preservation for future generations

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? . . . . .  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? . . . . .  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table.

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII . . . . .

**Part V Endowment Funds.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance . . . . .	99,259.	99,417.			
b Contributions . . . . .			100,000.		
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses . . . . .	6,615.	-158.	-583.		
d Grants or scholarships . . . . .					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . .					
f Administrative expenses . . . . .					
g End of year balance . . . . .	105,874.	99,259.	99,417.		

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ► \_\_\_\_\_ %

b Permanent endowment ► 94.4500 %

c Temporarily restricted endowment ► 5.5500 %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i) unrelated organizations . . . . .

Yes	No
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(ii) related organizations . . . . .

3a(i)	X
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b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? . . . . .

3a(ii)	
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3b

3b	
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4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land . . . . .				
b Buildings . . . . .				
c Leasehold improvements . . . . .		2,321,381.	1,481,152.	840,229.
d Equipment . . . . .		2,245,334.	1,750,375.	494,959.
e Other . . . . .				
<b>Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) . . . . .</b>				1,335,188.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives . . . . .		
(2) Closely-held equity interests . . . . .		
(3) Other		
(A) HEDGE FUND	6,406,005.	FMV
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ►	6,406,005.	

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ►		

**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) . . . . . ►	

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) DEFERRED RENT	2,017,825.
(3) CAPITAL LEASE LIABILITY	26,661.
(4) GIFT ANNUITY	224,778.
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ►	2,269,264.

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII  X

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .	1	27,897,198.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments . . . . .	2a	2,120,050.
b	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	2b	120,450.
c	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .	2e	2,240,500.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .	3	25,656,698.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) . . . . .	5	25,656,698.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .	1	22,432,713.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	2a	120,450.
b	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	2b	
c	Other losses . . . . .	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .	2e	120,450.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .	3	22,312,263.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18) . . . . .	5	22,312,263.

**Part XIII Supplemental Information.**

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information

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**Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)****PART V, LINE 4:**

ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE MAINTAINED TO PROVIDE A PERMANENT SOURCE OF INCOME TO SUPPORT THE INSTITUTE'S OVERALL MISSION. ENDOWMENT ASSETS ARE HELD IN PERPETUITY AS DONOR-RESTRICTED GIFTS, WHILE INCOME GENERATED BY THE ENDOWMENTS IS UTILIZED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR ITS GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE GIFT INSTRUMENT.

**PART X, LINE 2:**

THE INSTITUTE IS EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE. HOWEVER, INCOME FROM CERTAIN ACTIVITIES NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE INSTITUTE'S TAX-EXEMPT PURPOSE IS SUBJECT TO TAXATION AS UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME. THERE WAS NO UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME DURING THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016. THE INSTITUTE RECOGNIZES INTEREST EXPENSE AND PENALTIES ON INCOME TAXES RELATED TO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS IN MANAGEMENT EXPENSES IN THE STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS. THERE IS NO PROVISION IN THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR PENALTIES AND INTEREST RELATED TO INCOME TAXES ON UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016. TAX YEARS PRIOR TO 2013 ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY THE IRS OR THE TAX JURISDICTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

**SCHEDULE F  
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Statement of Activities Outside the United States**

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

► Attach to Form 990.

► Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**Part I General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.1 **For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? . . . . .  Yes  No2 **For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.3 **Activities per Region.** (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed )

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in the region	(d) Activities conducted in the region (by type) (such as, fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in the region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in the region
(1) CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN			INVESTMENTS		6,405,005
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					
(11)					
(12)					
(13)					
(14)					
(15)					
(16)					
(17)					
3a Sub-total, . . . . .					6,405,005
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I . . . . .					
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)					6,405,005

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**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990.

Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of noncash assistance	(h) Description of noncash assistance
(1)								
(2)								
(3)								
(4)								
(5)								
(6)								
(7)								
(8)								
(9)								
(10)								
(11)								
(12)								
(13)								
(14)								
(15)								
(16)								

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities. ▲ ▲ ▲

**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 16.  
**Part III** can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of noncash assistance	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
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(12)							
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(14)							
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(18)							

**Part IV Foreign Forms**

1 Was the organization a US transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, *Return by a US Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation* (see Instructions for Form 926) . . . . .  Yes  No

2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, *Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts*, and/or Form 3520-A, *Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a US Owner* (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A, do not file with Form 990) . . . . .  Yes  No

3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, *Information Return of U.S Persons With Respect To Certain Foreign Corporations* (see Instructions for Form 5471) . . . . .  Yes  No

4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, *Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund* (see Instructions for Form 8621) . . . . .  Yes  No

5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, *Return of U.S Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships* (see Instructions for Form 8865) . . . . .  Yes  No

6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, *International Boycott Report* (see Instructions for Form 5713, do not file with Form 990) . . . . .  Yes  No

**Part V****Supplemental Information**

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds), Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs expenditures per region), Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

**SCHEDULE I**  
**(Form 990)****Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue ServiceName of the organization  
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INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICEEmployer identification number  
52-1744337**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  Yes  No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non- cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) THE LYNDE AND HARRY BRADLEY FOUNDATION 1241 N FRANKLIN PL MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	39-6037928	501 (C) (3)	10,000				BRADLEY FELLOWS PROG
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

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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**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2

IN FEBRUARY 2017, IJ GAVE A \$10,000 SPONSORSHIP TO THE LYNDE AND HARRY BRADLEY FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT THE BRADLEY FELLOWS PROGRAM. THE BRADLEY FELLOWS PROGRAM, WHICH IS MADE POSSIBLE BY THE LYNDE AND HARRY BRADLEY FOUNDATION, AWARDS SEVERAL FELLOWSHIPS TO GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER STUDENTS WITH AN INTEREST IN ORIGINALISM AND THE CONSTITUTION.

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Compensation Information**For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

► Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

First-class or charter travel  
 Travel for companions  
 Tax indemnification and gross-up payments  
 Discretionary spending account

Housing allowance or residence for personal use  
 Payments for business use of personal residence  
 Health or social club dues or initiation fees  
 Personal services (such as, maid, chauffeur, chef)

	Yes	No
1a		
1b		
2		

1b		
2		

b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain . . . . .

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? . . . . .

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

Compensation committee  
 Independent compensation consultant  
 Form 990 of other organizations

Written employment contract  
 Compensation survey or study  
 Approval by the board or compensation committee

3		
4a		X
4b	X	
4c		X

4a	X
4b	
4c	

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

4a	X
4b	
4c	

4a	X
4b	
4c	

5a	X
5b	X

5a	X
5b	X

6a	X
6b	X

6a	X
6b	X

7	X

8	X
9	

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

5a	X
5b	X

5a	X
5b	X

6a	X
6b	X

6a	X
6b	X

7	X

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**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
SCOTT BULLOCK 1 PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL	(i) 323,088.	(ii) 50,000.	(iii) 0.	72.	37,100.	8,320.	418,580.
STEVEN ANDERSON 2 EXEC VP-CFO/SECY & TREASURER	(i) 0.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	9,349.	35,000.	10,534.	235,147.
WILLIAM MELLOR 3 FOUNDING GEN. COUNSEL/CHAIRMAN	(i) 455,385.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	381.	26,500.	25,698.	507,964.
BETH STEVENS 4 VP FOR DEVELOPMENT	(i) 213,472.	(ii) 10,000.	(iii) 0.	47.	30,792.	12,258.	266,569.
DEBORAH SIMPSON 5 CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	(i) 243,752.	(ii) 20,000.	(iii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	321,116.
DANA BERLINER 6 VP AND LITIGATION DIRECTOR	(i) 311,824.	(ii) 50,000.	(iii) 0.	47.	35,000.	12,336.	409,207.
JOHN KRAMER 7 VP FOR COMMUNICATIONS	(i) 298,847.	(ii) 20,000.	(iii) 0.	72.	37,100.	27,087.	383,106.
ROBERT GALL 8 SENIOR ATTORNEY (TEXAS)	(i) 205,346.	(ii) 25,000.	(iii) 0.	31.	32,412.	26,693.	289,482.
CLARK NEILLY 9 SENIOR ATTORNEY (TEXAS)	(i) 198,759.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	198,759.
ROBERT McNAMARA 10 SENIOR ATTORNEY	(i) 230,020.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	45.	30,870.	28,935.	258,609.
RICHARD KOMER 11 SENIOR ATTORNEY	(i) 207,935.	(ii) 7,500.	(iii) 0.	0.	28,529.	20,868.	264,832.
JEFF ROWES 12 SENIOR ATTORNEY (TEXAS)	(i) 209,186.	(ii) 7,500.	(iii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	209,186.
PAUL SHERMAN 13 SENIOR ATTORNEY	(i) 177,642.	(ii) 5,000.	(iii) 0.	28.	23,240.	14,410.	220,320.
14	(i) 0.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.				
15	(i) 0.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.				
16	(i) 0.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.				

**Part III Supplemental Information**

**Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.**

**PART I, LINE 4B:**

FOUNDING GENERAL COUNSEL CHIP MELLOR PARTICIPATES IN A SECTION 457 (F) PLAN. NO FUNDS WERE AUTHORIZED OR ALLOCATED TO THE PLAN IN FY 2017.

**PART I, LINE 7:**

THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE DETERMINES, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, THE BONUSES TO BE AWARDED TO SIX SENIOR IJ EMPLOYEES: (I) PRESIDENT/GENERAL COUNSEL, (II) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR LITIGATION, (III) CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, (IV) A DESIGNATED SENIOR ATTORNEY, (V) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNICATIONS, AND (VI) CFO/MANAGING VICE PRESIDENT. FOR ALL OTHERS, BONUSES ARE DETERMINED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. ALL BONUSES ARE BASED UPON A BOARD APPROVED BUDGET.

**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Noncash Contributions**

OMB No. 1545-0047

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.  
 ► Attach to Form 990.  
 ► Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art . . . . .				
2 Art - Historical treasures . . . . .				
3 Art - Fractional interests . . . . .				
4 Books and publications . . . . .				
5 Clothing and household goods . . . . .				
6 Cars and other vehicles . . . . .				
7 Boats and planes . . . . .				
8 Intellectual property . . . . .				
9 Securities - Publicly traded . . . . .	X	58 .	3,344,565 .	FMV
10 Securities - Closely held stock . . . . .				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests . . . . .				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous . . . . .				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures . . . . .				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other . . . . .				
15 Real estate - Residential . . . . .				
16 Real estate - Commercial . . . . .				
17 Real estate - Other . . . . .				
18 Collectibles . . . . .				
19 Food inventory . . . . .				
20 Drugs and medical supplies . . . . .				
21 Taxidermy . . . . .				
22 Historical artifacts . . . . .				
23 Scientific specimens . . . . .				
24 Archeological artifacts . . . . .				
25 Other ►( SUPPLIES )	X	1 .	20,419 .	FMV
26 Other ►( _____ )				
27 Other ►( _____ )				
28 Other ►( _____ )				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement . . . . .

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Yes No

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? . . . . .

30a X

b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions? . . . . .

31 X

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? . . . . .

32a X

b If "Yes," describe in Part II.

33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II

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**Part II Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

## SCHEDULE M, LINE 32B

THE INSTITUTE UTILIZES A BROKERAGE FIRM TO SELL DONATED SECURITIES AND OTHER INVESTMENT VEHICLES.

## SCHEDULE M, LINES 9 AND 25

THE CONTRIBUTIONS REPORTED IN COLUMN B OF PART I ABOVE REPRESENT THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED.

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1:

WILLIAM H. MELLOR TRANSITIONED FROM PRESIDENT & GENERAL COUNSEL TO  
FOUNDING GENERAL COUNSEL ON JANUARY 1, 2016, AND REMAINS EMPLOYED BY  
THE ORGANIZATION. SCOTT BULLOCK BECAME PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL ON  
JANUARY 1, 2016, AND IS EMPLOYED BY THE ORGANIZATION.

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

THE FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE INSTITUTE'S AUDIT COMMITTEE IN  
CONSULTATION WITH THE INSTITUTE'S INDEPENDENT AUDITORS, AS NECESSARY.  
AFTER REVIEW BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, THE FORM 990 IS DISTRIBUTED TO THE  
FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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

ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BOTH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EVERY EMPLOYEE REVIEW  
THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND MUST DISCLOSE ANY CONFLICTS WITH THE  
INSTITUTE. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEWS THE POLICY AT OR AROUND ITS  
FINAL MEETING OF THE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH MEMBER PROVIDES WRITTEN  
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. EVERY EMPLOYEE RECEIVES AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE  
POLICY. ANY CONFLICTS OR POTENTIAL CONFLICTS ARE RESOLVED BY THE  
PRESIDENT OR OTHERWISE REPORTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND REVIEWED AND  
RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, LESS ANY MEMBER THAT MAY HAVE A  
CONFLICT OR POTENTIAL CONFLICT.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

THE INSTITUTE UPDATED ITS EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION POLICY AS PART OF THE

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MANAGEMENT TRANSITION THAT HAS OCCURRED AT THE ORGANIZATION. PREVIOUSLY, ONLY THE COMPENSATION OF THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL COUNSEL WAS SET BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. NOW, AT THE FALL BOARD MEETING, THE BOARD DETERMINES THE COMPENSATION OF SIX EMPLOYEES: THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL COUNSEL, THE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT & LITIGATION DIRECTOR, THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, A DESIGNATED SENIOR ATTORNEY, THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNICATION, AND THE CFO/MANAGING VICE PRESIDENT. IJ PROVIDES THE BOARD'S COMPENSATION COMMITTEE WITH PRESENT AND PAST COMPENSATION AMOUNTS FOR THE THESE POSITIONS, AS WELL AS COMPARABLE DATA FROM THE MOST RECENTLY AVAILABLE FORM 990 FOR SIMILARLY SITUATED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. IJ ALSO ANNUALLY ENGAGES AN OUTSIDE VENDOR TO PROVIDE AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION SURVEY. THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE MAKES A RECOMMENDATION ON COMPENSATION TO THE FULL BOARD (EXCEPT FOR THE PRESIDENT/GENERAL COUNSEL, WHO IS RECUSED), AND THE FULL BOARD THEN VOTES TO DETERMINE COMPENSATION, WHICH DECISION IS CONTEMPORANEOUSLY RECORDED AND COMMUNICATED TO THE CFO BY THE CHAIRMAN AND PLACED IN THE APPLICABLE CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYMENT FILES. DURING THE SUMMER BOARD MEETING, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZES FORECASTED COMPENSATION INCREASES FOR OTHER OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES THROUGH ITS APPROVAL OF THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR'S BUDGET.

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

THE INSTITUTE'S 990 AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON ITS AND OTHER WEBSITES. THE INSTITUTE'S 990, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, AND OTHER IRS DOCUMENTATION, GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND CERTAIN OTHER POLICIES ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

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FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:

THE INSTITUTE HAS AN AUDIT COMMITTEE THAT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR. THE PROCESS HAS NOT CHANGED SINCE THE PRIOR YEAR.

CASES IN LITIGATION:

DUNCAN V. STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE FIRST OF TWO INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE STATE SUPREME COURT VICTORIES FOR EDUCATIONAL CHOICE THIS YEAR, IN SEPTEMBER 2016 WE WON A SIGNIFICANT AND PRECEDENT-SETTING VICTORY FOR EDUCATIONAL CHOICE BEFORE THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT. THE NEVADA HIGH COURT REJECTED OUR OPPONENTS' ARGUMENTS THAT THE STATE'S PATH-BREAKING EDUCATIONAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT (ESA) LAW VIOLATED THE STATE'S BLAINE AMENDMENT AND THAT THE STATE CONSTITUTION FORBIDS THE LEGISLATURE FROM FUNDING ALTERNATIVES TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. IT'S A STRONG RULING THAT WE WILL RELY ON IN FUTURE CASES AND ONE THAT SENDS A STRONG SIGNAL TO THE MANY OTHER STATES CONSIDERING ESA PROGRAMS. UNFORTUNATELY, ALTHOUGH THE COURT AGREED THAT THE LEGISLATURE IS ALLOWED TO FUND ALTERNATIVES TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM, IN THIS CASE THE LEGISLATURE FAILED TO PROPERLY APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE ESA PROGRAM, SO THE PROGRAM HASN'T BEEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED. WE WILL CONTINUE WORKING WITH ALLIES TO GET THE PROGRAM RUNNING AND ENSURE THAT THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF ELIGIBLE CHILDREN CAN CHOOSE QUALITY EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS.

GADDY V. GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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IN JUNE 2017, IJ WON OUR TENTH STATE SUPREME COURT VICTORY OVERALL FOR EDUCATIONAL CHOICE WHEN THE GEORGIA SUPREME COURT UNANIMOUSLY RULED IN OUR FAVOR IN OUR LONG-FOUGHT BATTLE DEFENDING GEORGIA'S TAX-CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. IN ITS DECISION, THE COURT FOUND THAT OUR OPPONENTS WERE NOT HARMED BY THE PROGRAM AND THEREFORE DID NOT HAVE STANDING TO BRING THE CASE. THE COURT CORRECTLY AFFIRMED THAT PRIVATE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NOT PUBLIC FUNDS, THEREBY REMOVING THE LEGAL CLOUD THAT HAS HUNG OVER THE PROGRAM AND ENSURING THAT MORE THAN 13,000 STUDENTS CAN CONTINUE ATTENDING THE SCHOOLS OF THEIR CHOICE. THIS DECISION IS THE LATEST RULING TO UPHOLD STATE TAX-CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS AGAINST CHALLENGES BY OPPONENTS OF EDUCATIONAL CHOICE. IN FACT, IN IJ'S 26 YEARS DEFENDING EDUCATIONAL CHOICE PROGRAMS WE HAVE NEVER LOST A TAX-CREDIT CASE.

OCHEESEE CREAMERY V. PUTNAM AND NEWTON

OUR LATEST FIRST AMENDMENT VICTORY COMES TO US FROM FLORIDA, WHERE IN MARCH 2017, WE WON OUR CASE BEFORE THE 11TH U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS FOR IJ CLIENT MARY LOU WESSELHOEFT, WHO OWNS THE OCHEESEE CREAMERY. MARY LOU SIMPLY WANTED TO LABEL HER CREAMERY'S PURE SKIM MILK AS "SKIM MILK," BUT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WOULDN'T ALLOW HER TO BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T PUT IN ANY ADDITIVES. THE STATE SAID MILK IS "SKIM MILK" ONLY IF IT HAS VITAMINS ADDED, AND BECAUSE MARY LOU'S PRODUCT IS PURE AND NATURAL, THE STATE WANTED HER TO CALL IT "IMITATION MILK PRODUCT." IN

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ITS DECISION THE COURT UPHELD THE RIGHT TO PROVIDE TRUTHFUL INFORMATION TO CONSUMERS.

ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION TRADE ASSOCIATION V. CITY OF CHICAGO; JOE SANFELIPPO CABS, INC., ET AL. V. CITY OF MILWAUKEE

WHEN THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE FIRST STARTED LITIGATING TRANSPORTATION CASES IN THE EARLY 1990S, REGULATION WAS SO CAPTIVE TO ENTRENCHED INTERESTS THAT OFFICIALS CALLED IT A "REGULATED MONOPOLY" WITHOUT SHAME. THOUGH NO ONE COULD HAVE FORESEEN TODAY'S PROLIFERATION OF RIDESHARING SERVICES LIKE UBER AND LYFT, IJ'S TWO DECADES OF PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION IN THIS AREA WAS INTEGRAL TO CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT THAT ALLOWS SUCH INNOVATION TO THRIVE. IN THESE TWO CASES, INCUMBENT TAXI COMPANIES FILED LAWSUITS AGAINST CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE, RESPECTIVELY, ARGUING THAT REMOVING A CAP ON TAXI PERMITS AND LETTING RIDESHARING SERVICES OPERATE VIOLATED THE CONSTITUTION BECAUSE EXISTING COMPANIES HAD A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO BE PROTECTED FROM COMPETITION. IN OCTOBER 2016, IN TWO SEPARATE GROUNDBREAKING DECISIONS, THE 7TH U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS REJECTED THESE ARGUMENTS AND AFFIRMED CITIES' ABILITY TO SWEEP ASIDE OUTDATED PROTECTIONIST TRANSPORTATION REGULATIONS IN ORDER TO MAKE WAY FOR NEW ENTREPRENEURS.

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA V. \$100,693.85 IN U.S. CURRENCY

JAMES SLATIC AND HIS FAMILY HAD MORE THAN \$100,000 SEIZED BY THE

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GOVERNMENT WITHOUT BEING CHARGED WITH A CRIME - LET ALONE CONVICTED OF ONE. IN JANUARY 2016, ARMED FEDERAL AGENTS AND LOCAL POLICE BURST INTO JAMES' LEGAL MEDICAL MARIJUANA BUSINESS IN A NIGHTMARISH RAID AND SEIZED EVERY PENNY, NOT ONLY IN THE BUSINESS'S BANK ACCOUNT, BUT ALSO HIS PERSONAL ACCOUNT AND THE PERSONAL ACCOUNTS OF HIS WIFE AND TWO TEENAGE DAUGHTERS. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY HELD THE MONEY IN LEGAL LIMBO FOR MONTHS, INVENTING EXCUSE AFTER EXCUSE TO TRY TO JUSTIFY THE DEPARTMENT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL ACTIONS AND GIVING JAMES AND HIS FAMILY NO OPPORTUNITY TO PROVE THEIR INNOCENCE. BUT SIX MONTHS AFTER IJ TOOK UP JAMES' CASE, THE COURT FINALLY FORCED THE D.A. TO RETURN THE FAMILY'S MONEY. THIS IS JUST OUR LATEST VICTORY REIGNING IN CIVIL FORFEITURE-SINCE 2010, IJ HAS WON 12 FORFEITURE VICTORIES, SECURING THE RETURN OF \$4.8 MILLION IN SEIZED ASSETS.

CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY V. CHARLES AND LUCINDA BIRNBAUM ET AL.

CHARLIE BIRNBAUM'S ATLANTIC CITY HOME HAS BEEN IN HIS FAMILY FOR HALF A CENTURY. HIS PARENTS BOUGHT THE HOUSE WHEN THEY CAME TO THE U.S. AFTER WORLD WAR II. BUT NEW JERSEY'S CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CRDA) ATTEMPTED TO SEIZE CHARLIE'S HOME AS PART OF A VAGUE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TEAMED UP WITH CHARLIE TO CHALLENGE THIS TAKING AND TO PROTECT HIS RIGHT TO OWN PROPERTY. IN AUGUST 2016 A JUDGE RULED THE CITY'S ATTEMPT TO SEIZE CHARLIE'S PROPERTY WAS "A MANIFEST ABUSE OF THE EMINENT DOMAIN POWER" AND DISMISSED THE STATE'S

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CONDEMNATION. THE CRDA APPEALED, HOWEVER, SO THE CASE CONTINUES.

CHARLESTOWN PLEASANT RIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION CORP. V. CITY OF CHARLESTOWN, INDIANA; CHARLESTOWN PLEASANT RIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION CORP., ET AL. V. CITY OF CHARLESTOWN, INDIANA

INDIANA HAS STRONG PROPERTY PROTECTION LAWS TO PREVENT THE GOVERNMENT FROM SEIZING PEOPLE'S HOMES THROUGH EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PRIVATE PROJECTS.

BUT THE MAYOR OF CHARLESTOWN HAS A SIMPLE YET UNCONSTITUTIONAL PLAN TO GET THE HOMES INTO THE HANDS OF HIS PREFERRED DEVELOPER. CITY INSPECTORS ARE ISSUING CRIPPLING FINES FOR PROPERTY-CODE VIOLATIONS- INCLUDING TRIVIAL ONES SUCH AS TORN SCREENS AND CHIPPED PAINT. ONCE HOMEOWNERS HAVE AMASSED INSURMOUNTABLE FINES, THE DEVELOPER OFFERS TO BUY THE PROPERTY FOR \$10,000 - SIGNIFICANTLY BELOW THE MARKET VALUE. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE HAS TEAMED UP WITH PLEASANT RIDGE RESIDENTS TO PUT AN END TO THE MAYOR'S MISSION TO DESTROY THEIR COMMUNITY. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL NOT ONLY SAVE OUR CLIENTS' HOMES BUT ALSO PREVENT CHARLESTOWN'S SCHEME FROM BECOMING A NATIONAL MODEL FOR LAND-HUNGRY GOVERNMENTS AND PRIVATE DEVELOPERS.

CITY OF ELBERTON, GEORGIA V. 0.013 ACRES OF LAND IN THE CITY OF ELBERTON

FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS, BOB AND RINA THOMAS HAVE OPERATED THEIR FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESS FROM A SMALL OFFICE BUILDING ON THE PUBLIC SQUARE IN ELBERTON, GEORGIA. BOB AND RINA'S DIFFICULTIES BEGAN AFTER THEY REFUSED TO SELL

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THEIR BUILDING TO MAKE WAY FOR A HOTEL THE CITY HAD PURCHASED AND PLANS TO RENOVATE. THE CITY TURNED AROUND AND ANNOUNCED PLANS TO BULLDOZE BOB AND RINA'S BUILDING TO CREATE A PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY - EVEN THOUGH A SIMILAR SIDEWALK EXISTS LESS THAN 100 FEET DOWN THE STREET. GEORGIA ACTUALLY HAS STRONG PROTECTIONS FOR PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS, BUT THE CITY IS ATTEMPTING TO BYPASS THOSE PROTECTIONS BY USING A STATUTE GOVERNING HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION TO PERFORM A "QUICK TAKE" OF THE THOMASES' PROPERTY. IJ HAS PARTNERED WITH BOB AND RINA TO SAVE THEIR BUSINESS AND TO REAFFIRM THE PROTECTIONS ALREADY IN PLACE FOR GEORGIA PROPERTY OWNERS.

## MCGINNITY V. CITY OF WEST HAVEN

BOB MCGINNITY GREW UP IN WEST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, AND TODAY HE LIVES IN HIS CHILDHOOD HOME THAT HE RECENTLY REMODELED. BUT A PRIVATE PROPERTY DEVELOPER IS ASKING THE CITY OF WEST HAVEN TO CONDEMN AND SEIZE BOB'S HOME SO THE DEVELOPER CAN BUILD A STRIP MALL. BOB HAS NO DESIRE TO SELL HIS HOME OR TO MOVE SO HE AND HIS FAMILY HAVE TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO FILE A LAWSUIT AGAINST THE CITY OF WEST HAVEN. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL HELP PUT AN END TO THE ABUSE OF PUBLIC POWER FOR PRIVATE GAIN IN CONNECTICUT.

UNITED STATES VS. \$32,820.56 FROM MRS. LADY'S, INC ACCOUNT #XXXXXX23264

CAROLE HINDERS OWNED AND OPERATED MRS. LADY'S MEXICAN FOOD IN SPIRIT LAKE, IOWA, FOR NEARLY 40 YEARS. SHE ONLY ACCEPTED CASH AND OFTEN WENT

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TO THE BANK TO AVOID HAVING A SURPLUS OF CASH IN THE RESTAURANT. IN 2013, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SEIZED ALMOST \$33,000 OF CAROLE'S MONEY THROUGH CIVIL FORFEITURE, CLAIMING HER SMALL, FREQUENT DEPOSITS WERE ATTEMPTS TO EVADE BANK REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. CAROLE PARTNERED WITH IJ TO FIGHT BACK AND THE GOVERNMENT QUICKLY SURRENDERED. CAROLE'S VICTORY HELPED PAVE THE WAY FOR HUNDREDS OF OTHER PROPERTY OWNERS WHO SIMILARLY HAD ASSETS UNCONSTITUTIONALLY SEIZED TO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT TO GET THEIR MONEY BACK. IN SEPTEMBER OF 2016, THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS RULED THAT THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE WAS NOT ENTITLED TO ATTORNEYS' FEES, ENDING THE LAWSUIT.

U.S. V. \$11,000 UNITED STATES CURRENCY AND CHARLES L. CLARKE, II

WHEN THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TOOK UP CHARLES CLARKE'S CASE, HE WAS A 24-YEAR-OLD COLLEGE STUDENT WHO HAD MANAGED TO SAVE \$11,000 TOWARD HIS SCHOOLING - ONLY TO HAVE IT SEIZED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AT THE CINCINNATI/NORTHERN KENTUCKY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. OFFICIALS CLAIMED HIS CHECKED BAG SMELLED LIKE MARIJUANA, BUT FOUND NO DRUGS OR ANY OTHER ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE REPRESENTED CHARLES IN HIS FIGHT TO GET HIS MONEY BACK, AND IN DECEMBER OF 2016, AFTER A THREE-YEAR LEGAL BATTLE, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DROPPED ITS FORFEITURE CASE AGAINST CLARK AND RETURNED ALL OF HIS MONEY - WITH INTEREST.

PLATT V. MOORE

ARIZONA RESIDENTS TERRY AND RIA PLATT LOANED THEIR CAR TO THEIR SON WHO

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WAS PULLED OVER BY POLICE FOR A WINDOW TINT VIOLATION. THE POLICE FOUND CASH AND A SMALL AMOUNT OF PERSONAL-USE MARIJUANA, BOTH OF WHICH THE SON ACKNOWLEDGED WERE HIS. EVEN THOUGH ARIZONA LAW DOES NOT ALLOW FORFEITURE OF A CAR UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, THE POLICE AND PROSECUTOR STILL SEIZED AND HELD THE PLATTS' CAR. A MONTH AFTER THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE GOT INVOLVED, THE GOVERNMENT RELENTED AND RETURNED THE CAR TO TERRY AND RIA. BUT PROSECUTORS DID NOT ADMIT WRONGDOING, AND STATE LAW ALLOWS PROSECUTORS SEVEN YEARS TO DECIDE TO PROCEED WITH THE FORFEITURE - MEANING THEY COULD TAKE THE CAR AGAIN - SO THE CASE CONTINUES. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL HELP PROTECT ALL RESIDENTS OF ARIZONA FROM CIVIL FORFEITURE.

HORNER, ET AL. V. CURRY, ET AL.

THE INDIANA CONSTITUTION MAKES CLEAR THAT ALL FORFEITURE PROCEEDS SHOULD GO TO THE STATE'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BUT INDIANAPOLIS POLICE AND PROSECUTORS HAVE BEEN KEEPING THIS CASH FOR THEMSELVES. THIS GIVES THEM A POWERFUL INCENTIVE TO SEIZE AS MUCH PROPERTY AS THEY CAN, AND IJ HAS PARTNERED WITH TWO INDIANA RESIDENTS WHO WERE UNJUSTLY TARGETED IN A FORFEITURE CASE TO MAKE THEM FOLLOW THE LAW. A VICTORY WILL CONFIRM THAT EVERYONE MUST FOLLOW THE LAW - INCLUDING POLICE AND PROSECUTORS - AND SET A PRECEDENT FOR EVERY OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICE IN INDIANA.

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE V. ONE (1) 2014 NISSAN 4DR SILVER; HARJO V. CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

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ARLENE HARJO LOANED HER CAR TO HER SON WHO WAS PICKED UP FOR DRUNK DRIVING. THE POLICE SEIZED ARLENE'S CAR EVEN THOUGH ARLENE HAD COMMITTED NO CRIME. FOR EIGHT MONTHS, HER CAR SAT IN AN IMPOUND LOT IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO. ONCE THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE FILED SUIT, THE CITY QUICKLY GAVE ARLENE BACK HER CAR ADMITTING THEY HAD MADE A MISTAKE. BUT IN 2015, NEW MEXICO'S LEGISLATURE PASSED LANDMARK REFORMS THAT ABOLISHED CIVIL FORFEITURE STATEWIDE, AND THE CITY IS BLATANTLY DISREGARDING THE LAW. A VICTORY WILL REINFORCE THE STRONG PROTECTIONS FOR PROPERTY OWNERS THAT THE LEGISLATURE INTENDED.

SOUROVELIS V. CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE IS TAKING ON ONE OF THE MOST ABUSIVE CIVIL FORFEITURE PRACTICES IN THE COUNTRY WITH A CLASS-ACTION LAWSUIT IN PHILADELPHIA. THERE, THE CITY HAS SEIZED ALL SORTS OF PROPERTY - TOTALING MORE THAN \$64 MILLION FROM 2005 TO 2015. FURTHERMORE, POLICE AND PROSECUTORS GET TO KEEP ALL FORFEITURE PROCEEDS, GIVING THEM A DIRECT FINANCIAL INCENTIVE TO SEIZE AS MUCH AS THEY CAN. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE'S CASE IS CHALLENGING MANY ASPECTS OF THE LEGAL PROCESS FOR SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE IN PHILADELPHIA AND WILL HELP END THE CITY'S ONEROUS FORFEITURE PROCESS AND PROTECT PHILADELPHIA PROPERTY OWNERS FROM GETTING TRAPPED IN ITS FORFEITURE MACHINE.

CITY OF DALLAS V. HINGA MBOGO, HINGA AUTOMOTIVE CO., D/B/A HINGA AUTO

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REPAIR, AND 3516 ROSS AVENUE, DALLAS, TEXAS

FOR 30 YEARS KENYAN IMMIGRANT HINGA MBOGO HAS OWNED AND OPERATED HIS AUTO GARAGE ON ROSS AVENUE IN DALLAS. BUT NOW THE CITY WANTS HINGA TO CLOSE UP SHOP AND LEAVE BECAUSE HINGA AND HIS POPULAR GARAGE DO NOT FIT THE CITY COUNCIL'S VISION FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SEVERAL YEARS AGO, THE CITY PASSED RETROACTIVE ZONING LAWS- A PROCESS OFFICIALLY KNOWN AS AMORTIZATION - AND SPECIFICALLY DISALLOWED ANY AUTOMOTIVE-RELATED BUSINESS IN THE ROSS STREET NEIGHBORHOOD. HINGA IS A LIFELONG MECHANIC WHO HAS NO DESIRE TO START A COMPLETELY NEW BUSINESS IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE CITY'S VISION. UNLIKE WITH EMINENT DOMAIN CASES, THE CITY HAS MADE NO OFFERS TO COMPENSATE HINGA FOR HIS BUSINESS. RATHER, THE CITY HAS SLAPPED HINGA WITH MORE THAN \$300,000 IN FINES EVEN THOUGH THE CITY REGULATIONS EXPLICITLY LIMIT FINES TO \$2,000. TOGETHER IJ AND HINGA ARE FIGHTING TO END THE PERNICIOUS PRACTICE OF AMORTIZATION AND ESTABLISH THAT GOVERNMENT CANNOT DESTROY A BUSINESS JUST BECAUSE CITY PLANNERS HAVE A LOW OPINION OF THAT BUSINESS.

JAMEELAH EL-SHABAZZ V. CITY OF NEW YORK

SUNG CHO OWNS AND OPERATES A LAUNDROMAT IN MANHATTAN. CHO DOES NOT OWN THE BUILDING IN WHICH HIS LAUNDROMAT OPERATES; RATHER HE IS A RENTER. IN 2013, HE ARRIVED AT HIS LAUNDROMAT TO FIND AN EVICTION NOTICE ON THE WINDOW. THE POLICE WERE UTILIZING NEW YORK CITY'S "NO-FAULT" EVICTION LAW, WHICH ALLOWS POLICE TO SHUTTER A PROPERTY AND EVICT THE TENANT

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SIMPLY BECAUSE A CRIME OCCURRED ON THE PREMISES - EVEN IF THE TENANT HAD NO ROLE OR EVEN KNOWLEDGE OF THE CRIME. IN CHO'S CASE, UNDERCOVER POLICE HAD COME TO THE LAUNDROMAT MONTHS EARLIER AND ASKED CUSTOMERS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IF THEY WANTED TO PURCHASE STOLEN ELECTRONICS. NEITHER SUNG NOR ANY OF HIS EMPLOYEES WERE IMPLICATED IN THE STING, BUT BECAUSE TWO CUSTOMERS TOOK THE BAIT, SUNG WAS THREATENED WITH EVICTION. HOWEVER, THE CITY OFFERED TO DROP THE ACTION IF SUNG AGREED TO WAIVE HIS FOURTH AMENDMENT RIGHT TO REFUSE WARRANTLESS SEARCHES, GIVE POLICE UNLIMITED ACCESS TO HIS SECURITY CAMERAS, AND CONSENT TO FINES AND SANCTIONS FOR ALLEGED CRIMINAL OFFENSES AT THE BUSINESS WITHOUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO BEFORE A JUDGE. THIS PROGRAM IS BLATANTLY UNCONSTITUTIONAL, AND IF OUR LAWSUIT IS SUCCESSFUL, PAST WAIVERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS WILL BE DECLARED UNENFORCEABLE AND, GOING FORWARD, THIS PRACTICE WILL BE PUT TO AN END ONCE AND FOR ALL.

WHITNER, ET AL. V. CITY OF PAGEDALE

IN PAGEDALE, MISSOURI, RESIDENTS ARE ROUTINELY FINED FOR MINOR, HARMLESS INFRACTIONS. NEARLY 20 PERCENT OF THE CITY'S REVENUE COMES FROM FINES AND FEES, SO OFFICIALS AGGRESSIVELY TICKET RESIDENTS FOR EVERYTHING FROM MISMATCHED DRAPES TO HOLES IN THEIR WINDOW SCREENS AND CHIPPED PAINT. IJ HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE RESIDENTS OF PAGEDALE TO FILE A CLASS-ACTION LAWSUIT TO STOP THE CITY'S USE OF CODE ENFORCEMENT AS A MEANS OF RAISING REVENUE. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL AFFIRM AMERICANS' RIGHT TO LIVE PEACEFULLY IN THEIR OWN HOMES.

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CITY OF GOLDEN VALLEY V. WIEBESICK, ET AL.

THIS LAWSUIT CHALLENGES THE CITY OF GOLDEN VALLEY'S PRACTICE OF USING ADMINISTRATIVE WARRANTS TO INSPECT RENTAL PROPERTIES AND CHECK, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THEIR TENANTS ARE MAINTAINING A CLEAN KITCHEN AND BATHROOM. IN 2015, IJ CLIENTS JACKIE AND JASON WIEBESICK WERE TOLD THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO SUBMIT TO INSPECTION OF THEIR RENTAL UNIT IN ORDER TO KEEP THEIR RENTAL LICENSE. THE WIEBESICKS AND THEIR TENANTS FEEL THAT THIS IS A VIOLATION OF THEIR PRIVACY, AND REFUSED THE CITY'S REQUEST. IJ HAS PARTNERED WITH THE WIEBESICKS TO PROTECT LANDLORDS' AND TENANTS' RIGHT TO PRIVACY UNDER THE MINNESOTA CONSTITUTION.

DOROTHY RIVERA, EDDY OMAR RIVERA, AND STEVEN CAMBURN V. BOROUGH OF POTTSTOWN AND KEITH A. PLACE

STEVE CAMBURN OWNS SEVERAL RENTAL PROPERTIES IN POTTSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA. DOTTIE AND OMAR RIVERA HAVE RENTED ONE OF STEVE'S HOUSES FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. IN LATE 2016, THE BOROUGH OF POTTSTOWN NOTIFIED STEVE THAT THE RIVERAS' HOME WAS DUE FOR INSPECTION. STEVE DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE RIVERAS, AND THEY DID NOT WANT TO SUBMIT TO THE INSPECTION. THE RIVERAS ARE PERFECTLY HAPPY WITH THE CONDITION OF THE HOUSE AND WOULD SIMPLY CALL STEVE IF AND WHEN THEY HAD CONCERNs. THEY BELIEVE AN INSPECTION WOULD BE INVASIVE AND VIOLATE THEIR FAMILY'S PRIVACY. SO THEY'VE TEAMED UP WITH IJ TO FIGHT BACK. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL AFFIRM THE FOURTH

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AMENDMENT RIGHT TO PROTECTION AGAINST UNREASONABLE SEARCHES - WHETHER THE OCCUPANTS ARE HOMEOWNERS OR RENTERS.

OPTERNATIVE, INC. V. SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

OPTERNATIVE IS AN INNOVATIVE PRESCRIPTION EYEGLASS COMPANY THAT ALLOWS DOCTORS TO GIVE EYE EXAMS TO PATIENTS OVER THE INTERNET USING THE PATIENTS' SMART PHONES. IT IS AN ACCURATE AND SAFE PROCESS THAT SAVES CONSUMERS TIME AND MONEY. BUT THE SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATURE IS HAVING NONE OF IT. THE STATE LEGISLATURE PASSED LEGISLATION BANNING ONLINE EYE EXAMS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING THE BUSINESS INTERESTS OF EXISTING STOREFRONT BUSINESSES. OPTERNATIVE HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO FILE A CONSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGE TO SOUTH CAROLINA'S LAW, ASKING THE STATE'S COURTS TO STAND UP FOR INNOVATION AND MEDICAL AUTONOMY - AND TO STAND AGAINST ECONOMIC PROTECTIONISM.

KEN'S CAB, LLC, ET AL. V. CITY OF LITTLE ROCK

THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK MADE IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR TAXI ENTREPRENEURS LIKE IJ CLIENT KEN LEININGER TO START THEIR OWN CAB COMPANIES BY PROVIDING A MONOPOLY TO THE ONLY TAXI COMPANY IN TOWN. THIS BLATANT PROTECTIONISM VIOLATED A CLAUSE OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION EXPRESSLY FORBIDDING MONOPOLIES IN ANY FORM. IJ PARTNERED WITH KEN IN MARCH 2016 TO HELP HIM ACHIEVE HIS DREAM OF OWNING HIS OWN BUSINESS, AND BY DECEMBER, AN ARKANSAS STATE JUDGE CONFIRMED THAT THE CITY'S MONOPOLY IS PROHIBITED UNDER THE STATE CONSTITUTION. NEARLY A DOZEN OTHER STATES

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HAVE SIMILAR CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS, AND THIS CASE WILL SERVE AS A MODEL WE CAN REPLICATE ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

SPEED'S AUTO SERVICES V. PORTLAND

THIS CASE IN PORTLAND, OREGON, SOUGHT TO VINDICATE THE RIGHTS OF DRIVERS TO EARN AN HONEST LIVING BY STRIKING DOWN LAWS THAT IMPOSE A MINIMUM FARE ON SMALL SEDAN COMPANIES. COMPANIES SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO CHARGE CUSTOMERS MORE, AND THE GOVERNMENT CANNOT PROTECT THE PROFITS OF PRIVATE BUSINESSES AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHER BUSINESSES. IN A VICTORY FOR ECONOMIC LIBERTY, IN DECEMBER 2015, THE CITY REPEALED ITS TWIN MINIMUM FARES AND ITS ONE-HOUR WAIT TIME FOR LIMO AND SEDAN CUSTOMERS. THE CASE AGAINST THESE REGULATIONS CONTINUED, HOWEVER, AFTER PORTLAND THREATENED OUR CLIENTS WITH NEARLY \$900,000 IN FINES, AND THE LOSS OF THEIR OPERATING PERMITS, BASED ON ONE-TIME DISCOUNTS OFFERED ON GROUPON.COM. ON MARCH 30, 2017, A NINTH CIRCUIT PANEL UPHELD THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF PORTLAND'S LAWS IN A SHORT, UNPUBLISHED DECISION.

COLLINS V. BATTLE, ET AL.

THIS CASE CHALLENGED GEORGIA'S LAW BANNING NON-DENTISTS FROM PROVIDING TEETH-WHITENING SERVICES. THE BAN HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HEALTH AND SAFETY - IT IS DESIGNED TO PROTECT LICENSED DENTISTS FROM COMPETITORS WHO OFFER THE SAME SERVICE AT A FRACTION OF THE PRICE. WE LOST THE CASE IN FEBRUARY OF 2017 WHEN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT UPHELD THE LUCRATIVE

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TEETH-WHITENING MONOPOLY GRANTED TO DENTISTS BY THE GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY. THE RESULT IS A BLOW TO GEORGIA ENTREPRENEURS AND MEANS THAT GEORGIA'S CONSUMERS MUST NOW PAY HIGHER PRICES FOR FEWER TEETH-WHITENING OPTIONS.

## NIANG V. CARROLL

THE STATE OF MISSOURI REQUIRES AFRICAN-STYLE HAIR BRAIDERS TO BECOME LICENSED COSMETOLOGISTS BY SPENDING TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ON 1,500 HOURS OF IRRELEVANT TRAINING. BRAIDING IS SAFE AND BRAIDERS DO NOT USE ANY DANGEROUS CHEMICALS. IJ CHALLENGED THIS LAW IN COURT ON BEHALF OF JOBA NIANG AND TAMEKA STIGERS, TWO AFRICAN-STYLE HAIR BRAIDERS. IN A BLOW TO ECONOMIC FREEDOM, A FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT UPHELD THE LAW IN SEPTEMBER 2016. IJ IS APPEALING TO THE 8TH U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS.

## USHABEN CHUDASAMA, ET AL. V. LOUISIANA BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY, ET AL.

THREADING IS THE ANCIENT ART OF USING THREAD TO REMOVE UNWANTED FACIAL HAIR. IN ORDER TO PRACTICE THE SIMPLE SERVICE OF THREADING, LOUISIANA REQUIRES THREADERS TO OBTAIN A TRADITIONAL ESTHETICIAN'S LICENSE THAT INVOLVES NO TRAINING IN THREADING. NOW ONE LOUISIANA BUSINESS AND TWO THREADERS ARE FIGHTING BACK. WITH THE HELP OF THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE, LATA JAGTIANI, USHABEN CHUDASMA, AND PANNA SHAH HAVE FILED A LAWSUIT CHALLENGING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE STATE'S LICENSING REQUIREMENT.

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THEY ARE ASKING WHY THE GOVERNMENT IS FORCING THREADERS TO QUIT THEIR JOBS TO SPEND TIME AND MONEY LEARNING TECHNIQUES THAT HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THREADING.

**PATEL V. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION**

THIS VICTORY BEFORE THE TEXAS SUPREME COURT CREATED THE STRICTEST LEGAL TEST FOR ECONOMIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTRY. PREVIOUSLY, TEXAS REQUIRED INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE CLIENT ASH PATEL AND OTHER EYEBROW THREADERS TO SPEND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS AND HUNDREDS OF HOURS ON COSMETOLOGY TRAINING, OF WHICH NOT ONE HOUR WAS ABOUT THREADING. THE LAW SERVED NO PURPOSE OTHER THAN TO PROTECT ESTABLISHED BUSINESSES FROM COMPETITION, SO THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE FOUGHT BACK, AND THE LAW WAS STRUCK DOWN IN JUNE 2015. IN FY17, IJ RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNMENT \$418,000 IN FEES FOR THIS CASE.

**PIZZA DI JOEY, LLC V. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**

AS PART OF THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE'S NATIONAL STREET VENDING INITIATIVE, WE ARE CHALLENGING BALTIMORE'S LAW MAKING IT UNNECESSARILY DIFFICULT FOR FOOD TRUCK VENDORS TO OPERATE. CURRENTLY, BALTIMORE LAW REQUIRES VENDORS TO PARK AT LEAST 300 FEET FROM ANY BRICK-AND-MORTAR BUSINESS THAT PROVIDES A SIMILAR PRODUCT OR SERVICE. THIS RESTRICTION SERVES ONLY TO PROTECT EXISTING BUSINESSES FROM COMPETITION. IJ TEAMED UP WITH FOOD TRUCK VENDORS JOEY VANONI OF PIZZA DI JOEY AND NIKKI MCGOWAN

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OF MADAME BBQ TO ENSURE ALL BALTIMORE ENTREPRENEURS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL SEND AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO OTHER CITIES THAT THEY CANNOT OFFER PROTECTIONIST SCHEMES THAT BENEFIT SOME BUSINESSES AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHERS.

BURKE V. CITY OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO LAW MAKES IT ILLEGAL FOR FOOD TRUCKS TO OPERATE WITHIN 200 FEET OF ANY BRICK-AND-MORTAR BUSINESS THAT SELLS FOOD - INCLUDING WALGREENS. THIS LAW EFFECTIVELY SHUTS MOBILE VENDORS OUT OF THE DOWNTOWN MARKET AND BLATANTLY PROTECTS THE INTERESTS OF POLITICALLY CONNECTED BUSINESS OWNERS. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE IS FIGHTING THIS RESTRICTION ON BEHALF OF FOOD TRUCK OPERATOR LAURA PEKARIK TO CLEARLY ESTABLISH THE ECONOMIC RIGHTS OF ALL VENDING ENTREPRENEURS. IN DECEMBER 2016, A COOK COUNTY CIRCUIT JUDGE UPHELD THE ORDINANCE, AND THE CASE IS CURRENTLY ON APPEAL.

KING, ET AL. V. LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT.

UNLIKE MOST ENTREPRENEURS, LOUISVILLE FOOD TRUCK ENTREPRENEUR TROY KING CANNOT COMPETE DIRECTLY WITH OTHER BUSINESSES BECAUSE THE CITY PROTECTS HIS COMPETITORS FROM TROY. SIMILAR TO THE CASES ABOVE, TROY IS NOT ALLOWED TO OPERATE HIS TRUCK WITHIN 150 FEET OF ANY BRICK-AND-MORTAR RESTAURANT THAT ALSO SELLS CHICKEN. THE CITY HAS THREATENED TO FINE TROY AND HAVE HIS TRUCK TOWED. TROY AND FELLOW FOOD TRUCK ENTREPRENEUR ROBERT MARTIN HAVE TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO CHALLENGE THE

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LAW. CITY GOVERNMENTS SHOULD NOT BE IN THE PRACTICE OF CHOOSING WINNERS AND LOSERS IN THE MARKETPLACE AND A VICTORY IN THE CASE WILL HELP ENTREPRENEURS IN LOUISVILLE AND BEYOND.

KELLY, ET AL. V. WHITMORE, ET AL.

THIS WAS A CHALLENGE TO THE STATE OF ARIZONA'S PROTECTIONIST REQUIREMENT THAT ANIMAL MASSAGE THERAPISTS OBTAIN A VETERINARIAN LICENSE. MASSAGE THERAPISTS DO NOT NEED A MEDICAL DEGREE TO MASSAGE HUMANS, AND ANIMAL MASSAGE THERAPISTS SHOULD NOT BE THREATENED WITH EXCESSIVE FINES AND JAIL TIME IF THEY DO NOT SPEND FOUR YEARS AND HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ON VETERINARY SCHOOL. IN FEBRUARY 2017, NEARLY THREE YEARS AFTER THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE FILED SUIT CHALLENGING THIS LAW, THE ARIZONA VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD AGREED TO STOP ENFORCING THE LAW. THE VICTORY, WHICH WAS COVERED BY OUTLETS RANGING FROM NPR AND ABC NEWS TO THE WASHINGTON POST, SENT A STRONG MESSAGE TO OTHER STATES CONSIDERING SIMILAR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

COURTNEY V. GOLTZ

FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS, JIM AND CLIFF COURTNEY HAVE TRIED TO PROVIDE BOAT SERVICE IN THE REMOTE COMMUNITY OF UPSTATE WASHINGTON WHERE THEY LIVE AND WORK. BUT THE STATE REQUIRES JIM AND CLIFF TO EITHER OBTAIN THE EXISTING FERRY COMPANY'S PERMISSION TO COMPETE, OR PROVE IN A TRIAL-LIKE HEARING THAT THE EXISTING COMPANY IS NOT PROVIDING "REASONABLE AND ADEQUATE

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SERVICE" AND THAT A NEW SERVICE IS NECESSARY. BECAUSE THIS IS AN UNCONSTITUTIONAL RESTRAINT ON ECONOMIC LIBERTY, JIM AND CLIFF TEAMED UP WITH IJ TO FIGHT BACK. A VICTORY WILL PROTECT THE RIGHT OF ALL AMERICANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ECONOMIC LIFE OF THE NATION.

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK V. CHRISTIE

IN JULY 2015, IJ FILED SUIT AGAINST THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY ON BEHALF OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK AND TWO PARISHIONERS. TOGETHER, THEY ARE CHALLENGING A LAW THAT MAKES IT A CRIME FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE TO SELL HEADSTONES DIRECTLY TO PARISHIONERS. THIS LAW WAS DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE ESTABLISHED HEADSTONE-DEALER INDUSTRY FROM COMPETITION. THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY ATTEMPTED TO HAVE THE CASE THROWN OUT, BUT IN MAY 2016, A FEDERAL JUDGE RULED THE CASE DESERVES A HEARING. A VICTORY IN THIS CASE WILL VINDICATE THE PRINCIPLE THAT THE GOVERNMENT CANNOT PASS A LAW SOLELY FOR THE FINANCIAL BENEFIT OF POLITICALLY CONNECTED INSIDERS.

BIRCHANSKY, ET AL. V. CLABAUGH, ET AL.

CERTIFICATE OF NEED (CON) LAWS ARE ON THE BOOKS IN 34 STATES AND REQUIRE WOULD-BE PROVIDERS TO PROVE TO THE GOVERNMENT THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR NEW MEDICAL SERVICES BEFORE THEY ARE ALLOWED TO OFFER THEM. OUR CLIENT, OPHTHALMOLOGIST LEE BIRCHANSKY, IS JUST ONE CASUALTY OF THIS SYSTEM. FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, DR. BIRCHANSKY HAS TRIED TO OPEN HIS OWN OUTPATIENT SURGERY CENTER NEXT TO HIS OFFICE IN CEDAR RAPIDS. THOUGH HE IS

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RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE TOP OPHTHALMOLOGISTS IN THE COUNTRY, DR. BIRCHANSKY WAS DENIED A CERTIFICATE OF NEED TO OPEN HIS CENTER ON FOUR SEPARATE OCCASIONS - EACH TIME AFTER THE TWO EXISTING OPERATING FACILITIES INTERVENED TO PROTECT THEIR BUSINESSES FROM COMPETITION. INDIVIDUALS HAVE A RIGHT TO ACCESS ROUTINE, SAFE, AND EFFECTIVE MEDICAL CARE, JUST AS MEDICAL ENTREPRENEURS HAVE A RIGHT TO PROVIDE THEM WITH INNOVATIVE AND AFFORDABLE OPTIONS. BY VINDICATING THIS PRINCIPLE IN FEDERAL COURT, IJ WILL ENABLE COMPETITION AND INNOVATION IN AN INDUSTRY THAT DESPERATELY NEEDS IT.

ALEXIS BAILLY VINEYARD, INC. V. DOHMAN

MINNESOTA STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT THE MAJORITY OF GRAPES MINNESOTA WINERIES USE IN THE PRODUCTION OF WINE MUST COME FROM MINNESOTA. BUT THE MINNESOTA CLIMATE AND SOIL DO NOT SUSTAIN A WIDE VARIETY OF GRAPES THAT CAN BE MADE INTO DRINKABLE AND DESIRABLE WINES. MINNESOTA WINERIES MUST MIX MINNESOTA GRAPES WITH GRAPES GROWN IN OTHER REGIONS TO GET THE RESULTS THEY NEED TO COMPETE. TWO FARM WINERIES, ALEXIS BAILLY VINEYARD AND NEXT CHAPTER WINERY, HAVE TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO MAKE SURE THAT MINNESOTA WINERIES ARE ABLE TO COMPETE UNHINDERED BY STATE-MANDATED, ARTIFICIAL IMPEDIMENTS TO THEIR INDUSTRY.

KIVIRIST, ET AL. V. WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ET AL.

IN THIS CASE, WE ARE CHALLENGING WISCONSIN'S BAN ON THE SALE OF HOME-BAKED GOODS. THE STATE PROHIBITS THE SALE OF GOODS THE GOVERNMENT

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DEEMS "NOT POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS," SUCH AS COOKIES, BUT ALLOWS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO SELL ANY HOMEMADE FOODS, INCLUDING COOKIES, AT EVENTS ON CERTAIN DAYS OF THE YEAR. THE BAN HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SAFETY - IT SIMPLY PROTECTS COMMERCIAL FOOD PRODUCERS FROM COMPETITION. IN JANUARY 2016, IJ FILED A CONSTITUTIONAL LAWSUIT ON BEHALF OF THREE WISCONSIN HOME BAKERS TO VINDICATE THEIR RIGHT TO EARN AN HONEST LIVING. IN MAY 2017, A WISCONSIN TRIAL COURT STRUCK DOWN THE STATE'S BAN, BUT THE CASE CONTINUES BECAUSE THE WISCONSIN STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE CONTINUES TO ENFORCE THE BAN AGAINST EVERYONE BUT THE THREE FARMERS WHO BROUGHT THE LAWSUIT.

LIVE OAK BREWING ET AL. V. TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION

BEFORE 2013, BREWERIES IN TEXAS ROUTINELY RECEIVED PAYMENTS FROM BEER DISTRIBUTORS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RIGHTS TO DISTRIBUTE THE BREWERY'S BEER. BUT IN 2013, AT THE BEHEST OF POLITICALLY CONNECTED DISTRIBUTORS, THE STATE OF TEXAS MADE IT ILLEGAL FOR BREWERS TO ACCEPT COMPENSATION WHEN GRANTING DISTRIBUTION RIGHTS. THIS NEW LAW CAUSED BREWERS TO LOSE OUT ON MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF INCOME. THEREFORE, THE OWNERS OF THREE CRAFT BREWERIES TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO CHALLENGE THE LAW. IN AUGUST 2016, A TEXAS STATE JUDGE RULED IN OUR CLIENTS' FAVOR, STRIKING DOWN THE LAW AS UNCONSTITUTIONAL. THE STATE APPEALED THE RULING, HOWEVER, SO THE CASE CONTINUES.

RICKETTS V. MIAMI SHORES

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FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES, HERMINE RICKETTS AND HER HUSBAND TOM CARROLL OF MIAMI SHORES, FLORIDA, USED THEIR FRONT YARD TO GROW FOOD FOR PERSONAL CONSUMPTION. BUT IN 2013, THE CITY PROHIBITED FRONT-YARD VEGETABLE GARDENS -WHILE ALLOWING FRUIT TREES AND YARD ORNAMENTS -AND IMPOSED A HEFTY FINE ON HERMINE AND TOM. THE COUPLE UPROOTED THEIR GARDEN BUT PARTNERED WITH IJ TO CHALLENGE THE BAN IN COURT. IN AUGUST 2016, A JUDGE UPHELD MIAMI SHORES' BAN ON FRONT-YARD VEGETABLE GARDENS, AND WE ARE CURRENTLY ON APPEAL TO THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL.

HOLLAND V. WILLIAMS

THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE IS CHALLENGING THE STATE OF COLORADO'S BYZANTINE CAMPAIGN-FINANCE REGULATIONS TO VINDICATE THE RIGHT TO SPEAK OUT ABOUT POLITICS WITHOUT FEAR OF BEING SUED AND SILENCED. IN COLORADO, ANYONE CAN FILE A PRIVATE LAWSUIT ALLEGING A VIOLATION OF THE STATE'S CAMPAIGN-FINANCE LAWS. THERE IS VERY LITTLE OVERSIGHT AND NO WEEDING-OUT PROCESS FOR FRIVOLOUS COMPLAINTS. AS A RESULT COLORADO'S CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW IS ROUTINELY USED TO FILE LAWSUITS, NOT OUT OF GENUINE INTEREST IN ENFORCING THE LAW, BUT TO HARASS OR INTIMIDATE POLITICAL OPPONENTS. TAMMY HOLLAND KNOWS THIS ALL TOO WELL. PRIOR TO A LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION, SHE PLACED TWO ADS IN A LOCAL NEWSPAPER AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY SUED BY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS. SHE WAS EVENTUALLY CLEARED OF ALL WRONGDOING AND HAS PARTNERED WITH IJ TO STRIKE DOWN THIS LAW AND ENSURE THAT ALL COLORADO RESIDENTS MAY EXERCISE THEIR FIRST AMENDMENT

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CAMPAIGN INTEGRITY WATCHDOG, LLC V. COLORADANS FOR A BETTER FUTURE AND  
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IN THIS CASE, WE REPRESENT A GROUP CALLED COLORADANS FOR A BETTER FUTURE (CBF), WHICH RAN TWO RADIO ADS SUPPORTING ONE CANDIDATE IN A LOCAL ELECTION AND OPPOSING THE OTHER. MONTHS AFTER THE LATTER CANDIDATE LOST THE RACE, HE FILED FOUR LAWSUITS AGAINST CBF UNDER COLORADO'S ABOVE-MENTIONED PRIVATE ENFORCEMENT SCHEME. HIS FOURTH LAWSUIT CLAIMED THAT THE LEGAL ASSISTANCE RECEIVED BY CBF IN FILING THE PAPERWORK TO END ITS ORGANIZATION CONSTITUTED A POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION, AND UNFORTUNATELY THE COLORADO COURT OF APPEALS AGREED WITH HIM. THIS RULING WILL MAKE IT DIFFICULT OR EVEN IMPOSSIBLE FOR POLITICAL SPEAKERS TO RECEIVE LEGAL HELP WITH THE STATE'S COMPLEX CAMPAIGN-FINANCE LAWS, SO IJ HAS ASKED THE COLORADO SUPREME COURT TO REVERSE IT AND PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF SPEAKERS AND THEIR ATTORNEYS.

CENTRAL RADIO COMPANY V. CITY OF NORFOLK

IJ SECURED A SIGNIFICANT VICTORY FOR FREE SPEECH IN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. THE CITY HAD ORDERED SMALL BUSINESS OWNER BOB WILSON TO REMOVE FROM THE SIDE OF HIS BUILDING A SIGN PROTESTING THE CITY'S USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN, CLAIMING IT VIOLATED NORFOLK'S SIGN CODE. BUT OTHER BUSINESSES IN THE AREA HAVE SIGNS AS LARGE AS OR LARGER THAN BOB'S, SO THE INSTITUTE FOR

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JUSTICE FILED SUIT TO PRESERVE HIS RIGHT TO PROTEST GOVERNMENT ACTIONS. AFTER LOSING IN FEDERAL APPELLATE COURT, IJ PETITIONED THE U.S. SUPREME COURT FOR REVIEW. THE COURT GRANTED REVIEW, VACATED THE APPELLATE OPINION, AND ORDERED THE LOWER COURT TO RECONSIDER BASED ON ANOTHER U.S. SUPREME COURT DECISION. AFTER RECONSIDERING, THE 4TH U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS VINDICATED CENTRAL RADIO'S FREE SPEECH RIGHTS, FINDING NORFOLK'S SIGN CODE IMPERMISSIBLY DISCRIMINATED AGAINST SOME SIGNS, LIKE CENTRAL RADIO'S PROTEST BANNER, WHILE FREELY ALLOWING OTHER SIGNS. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNMENT \$193,587 IN FEES FOR THIS CASE.

FISHER V. TOWN OF ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA

SCOTT FISHER OWNS A VIDEO GAMING STORE IN ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA. IT'S HOW HE SUPPORTS HIS WIFE AND YOUNG CHILDREN. IN ORDER TO ATTRACT MORE WALK-IN CUSTOMERS, SCOTT ERECTED A NINE-FOOT INFLATABLE MARIO - THE CHARACTER FROM THE CLASSIC VIDEO GAME. SCOTT IMMEDIATELY NOTICED AN UPTICK IN WALK-IN BUSINESS. BUT THEN THE CITY OF ORANGE PARK TOLD HIM TO TAKE DOWN THE INFLATABLE OR RISK BEING FINED \$100 A DAY. ORANGE PARK PERMITS INFLATABLES FOR SEASONAL AND HOLIDAY DECORATIONS AND ALLOWS THEM FOR "CREATIVE IDEA(S) THAT LACK A COMMERCIAL MESSAGE." THE CITY JUST DOESN'T ALLOW THEM TO BE USED BY BUSINESSES TO ATTRACT CUSTOMERS. DISCRIMINATING AGAINST BUSINESS SPEECH IS NOT JUST BAD POLICY; IT IS ALSO UNCONSTITUTIONAL - THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT ALLOWED TO PREFER SOME SPEECH OVER OTHERS. THAT IS WHY SCOTT JOINED WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO

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FILE A FREE SPEECH LAWSUIT AGAINST THE TOWN IN FEDERAL COURT. SCOTT AND HIS BUSINESS ARE FIGHTING NOT JUST FOR THEIR RIGHT TO DISPLAY HIS INFLATABLE MARIO, BUT FOR EVERYONE TO USE THE SIGNS OF THEIR CHOICE, FREE OF DISCRIMINATORY LAWS.

NEIGHBORHOOD ENTERPRISES V. CITY OF ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS RESIDENT JIM ROOS DECIDED TO PROTEST HIS LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S ABUSE OF EMINENT DOMAIN BY PAINTING A LARGE MURAL ON HIS BUILDING. THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS INSISTED THAT JIM'S SIGN VIOLATED CITY CODE AND ORDERED HIM TO TAKE IT DOWN. IJ WON THIS CASE IN 2011 WHEN THE 8TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS RULED THAT JIM HAS THE RIGHT TO SPEAK OUT ABOUT IMPORTANT ISSUES. HOWEVER, WE CONTINUE TO WAIT FOR A DECISION ON FEES, SO THE CASE IS ONGOING.

JARLSTROM V. ALDRIDGE

IN 2013, OREGON RESIDENT MATS JARLSTROM'S WIFE RECEIVED A RED-LIGHT CAMERA TICKET, WHICH SPARKED MATS' INTEREST IN HOW EXACTLY YELLOW LIGHTS ARE TIMED. MATS BEGAN WRITING AND SPEAKING ABOUT HOW LOCAL RED-LIGHT CAMERAS MISUSE THE STANDARD MATHEMATICAL FORMULA FOR THE TIMING OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS. PEOPLE WANTED TO HEAR MATS' IDEAS. LOCAL NEWS STATIONS COVERED HIS STORY, AND HE PRESENTED HIS RESEARCH AT A NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS. BUT OREGON'S ENGINEER-LICENSING BOARD WASN'T HAPPY ABOUT MATS' SPEECH AND FINED HIM \$500 FOR THE UNLICENSED PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING. ACCORDING TO THE BOARD, ONLY LICENSED ENGINEERS

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ARE PERMITTED TO TALK ABOUT ENGINEERING IN OREGON. IF MATS CONTINUED TO "CRITIQUE" TRAFFIC LIGHTS, HE COULD FACE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN FINES AND UP TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL. BUT CRITICIZING THE GOVERNMENT'S ENGINEERING ISN'T A CRIME; IT'S A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT - EVEN IF MATH IS INVOLVED. MATS TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO ASK THE COURTS TO PROTECT THE FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS OF ALL OREGONIANS TO SPEAK FREELY ABOUT WHATEVER THEY WANT.

FREENOR V. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH; BILLUPS V. CITY OF CHARLESTON

IJ'S LITIGATION TO FREE TOUR GUIDES FROM BURDENOME AND UNNECESSARY LICENSING REQUIREMENTS CONTINUES IN SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, AND CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA. BOTH CITIES THREATEN UNLICENSED TOUR GUIDES WITH FINES AND JAIL TIME, FORCING THEM TO OBTAIN THE GOVERNMENT'S PERMISSION TO SPEAK BY PASSING MULTIPLE CHOICE EXAMS. WE CHALLENGED THESE LAWS TO PROTECT THE RIGHT OF AMERICANS TO SPEAK WITHOUT ARBITRARY GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE. IN OCTOBER 2015, SAVANNAH'S CITY COUNCIL VOTED TO REPEAL ITS TOUR GUIDE LICENSING LAW; HOWEVER, THE CASE CONTINUES AS WE CONTINUE TO CHALLENGE A SEPARATE PROVISION CHARGING TOUR GUIDES A SPECIAL TAX JUST FOR SPEAKING. THERE HAS BEEN NO RULING IN CHARLESTON YET.

ELLINGER-LOCKE V. FIELDING

SHOULD THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT BE PREDICATED

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ON ATTENDING A GOVERNMENT-MANDATED CLASS? AS LEGAL COUNSEL FOR MARIJUANA POLICY PROJECT (MPP), MAGGIE ELLINGER-LOCKE FREQUENTLY TALKS TO STATE LEGISLATORS ACROSS 11 STATES ABOUT HOW THEY CAN IMPROVE THEIR STATES' MARIJUANA LAWS. ALABAMA REQUIRES ALL LOBBYISTS TO ATTEND AN ETHICS CLASS THAT WAS ONLY OFFERED FOUR TIMES A YEAR IN MONTGOMERY. BUT MAGGIE LIVES 800 MILES AWAY IN VIRGINIA. IN AUGUST, 2016, MAGGIE AND MPP TEAMED UP WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE TO CHALLENGE ALABAMA'S LAW. IN RESPONSE, THE ALABAMA ETHICS COMMISSION DROPPED THE REQUIREMENT THAT LOBBYISTS PHYSICALLY APPEAR IN MONTGOMERY FOR TRAINING. THE TRAINING REQUIREMENT CAN NOW BE SATISFIED ONLINE. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE VICTORY IN THIS CASE ENSURED THAT RESIDENTS OF ALABAMA HAVE THE RIGHT TO ADDRESS THEIR ELECTED OFFICIALS WITHOUT BURDENOME REGULATIONS IMPOSED BY THE STATE.

CITIZENS FOR STRONG SCHOOLS V. FLORIDA

IN FLORIDA, THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE INTERVENED ON BEHALF OF SIX FAMILIES TO DEFEND TWO OF THE LARGEST EDUCATIONAL CHOICE PROGRAMS IN THE NATION. THE MCKAY SCHOLARSHIP FOR PUPILS WITH DISABILITIES AND THE FLORIDA CORPORATE TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM HAVE BEEN ON THE BOOKS FOR OVER A DECADE AND HELP MORE THAN 87,000 CHILDREN ACROSS THE STATE OBTAIN A QUALITY EDUCATION. THE PROGRAMS CAME UNDER ATTACK IN 2014 WHEN A GROUP OF PARENTS WHO SUED FLORIDA SEVERAL YEARS AGO SEEKING MORE MONEY FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION AMENDED THEIR LAWSUIT TO CHALLENGE THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THESE TWO PROGRAMS, CLAIMING THEY UNCONSTITUTIONALLY "DIVERT" MONEY FROM FLORIDA'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS. IN MAY 2016, BOTH PROGRAMS

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WERE RULED CONSTITUTIONAL AND OUR OPPONENTS' CLAIMS WERE DISMISSED. THE PLAINTIFFS APPEALED, HOWEVER, SO THE CASE CONTINUES.

**ESPINOZA V. MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

MONTANA'S FIRST EDUCATIONAL CHOICE PROGRAM GIVES A MODEST TAX CREDIT TO INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES WHO DONATE TO PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIP ORGANIZATIONS. THESE ORGANIZATIONS THEN ALLOCATE THE SCHOLARSHIP MONEY TO FAMILIES WHO WANT TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOLS OTHER THAN THEIR LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOL. BUT THE MONTANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ATTEMPTED TO LIMIT THESE SCHOLARSHIPS TO NONRELIGIOUS PRIVATE SCHOOLS. THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE FILED SUIT ON BEHALF OF THREE MONTANA FAMILIES.

IN JUNE 2017, A JUDGE HELD THAT THE RULE WAS INVALID AND UNCONSTITUTIONAL. THE CASE CONTINUES ON APPEAL.

**LARUE V. COLORADO BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEN THE ACLU, AMERICANS UNITED FOR SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE, AND SEVERAL OTHER OPPONENTS OF EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CHALLENGED DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO'S CHOICE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, IJ INTERVENED ON BEHALF OF FOUR FAMILIES. THE PROGRAM WOULD PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 500 STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE PRIVATE SCHOOL OF THEIR PARENTS' CHOICE. IN 2015, IN A 3-3-1 SPLIT DECISION, THE COLORADO SUPREME COURT RULED THE PROGRAM UNCONSTITUTIONAL, SO IJ APPEALED THE DECISION TO THE U.S. SUPREME COURT. IN JUNE 2017, THE U.S. SUPREME COURT GRANTED REVIEW, VACATED THE COLORADO

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SUPREME COURT'S DECISION, AND REMANDED THE CASE BACK TO THE COLORADO COURT FOR RECONSIDERATION IN LIGHT OF ITS RULING IN A CASE CALLED TRINITY LUTHERAN V. COMER, WHICH DEALT WITH SIMILAR ISSUES OUTSIDE THE EDUCATIONAL CHOICE CONTEXT.

FRIEND OF THE COURT BRIEFS

IN ADDITION TO LITIGATING THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED CASES, THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE FILED AMICUS BRIEFS IN THE FOLLOWING CASES BETWEEN JULY 1, 2016 AND JUNE 30, 2017:

- ST. BERNARD PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT V. VIOLET DOCK PORT
- BATATO ET AL. AND ALL ASSETS LISTED IN ATTACHMENT A, AND ALL INTEREST, BENEFITS, AND ASSETS TRACEABLE THERETO V. U.S.
- EXPRESSIONS HAIR DESIGN V. SCHNEIDERMAN
- MICKELSON V. COUNTY OF RAMSEY
- NELSON V. COLORADO
- UNITED STATES V. CASTILLO-RIVERA
- KINDER MORGAN UTOPIA, LLC V. PDB FARMS OF WOOD COUNTY, LLC, ET AL.

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- INDEPENDENCE INSTITUTE V. FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

- M.A.K. INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC V. CITY OF GLENDALE

- ESPINOZA V. CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

- TOWN OF CHESTER V. LAROE ESTATES, INC.

- MILEWSKI V TOWN OF DOVER

- HORNE V. POLK

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT LITIGATION

- INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE V. INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

- INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE V. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

- INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE V. ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

- INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE V. KEMP

- INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE V. ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND  
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- INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE V. CUMBERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

ATTACHMENT 1FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

THROUGH STRATEGIC LITIGATION, TRAINING, COMMUNICATION, ACTIVISM AND RESEARCH, THE INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE (IJ) ADVANCES A RULE OF LAW UNDER WHICH INDIVIDUALS CAN CONTROL THEIR DESTINIES AS FREE AND RESPONSIBLE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. IJ LITIGATES TO SECURE ECONOMIC LIBERTY, SCHOOL CHOICE, PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS, FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND OTHER VITAL INDIVIDUAL LIBERTIES, AND TO RESTORE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITS ON THE POWER OF GOVERNMENT. IN ADDITION, IJ TRAINS LAW STUDENTS, LAWYERS AND POLICY ACTIVISTS IN THE TACTICS OF PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION.

THROUGH THESE ACTIVITIES, IJ CHALLENGES THE IDEOLOGY OF THE WELFARE STATE AND ILLUSTRATES AND EXTENDS THE BENEFITS OF FREEDOM TO THOSE WHOSE FULL ENJOYMENT OF LIBERTY IS DENIED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

ATTACHMENT 2FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17 - STATES

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MN, MS, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA,  
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ATTACHMENT 3 (CONT'D)990, PART VII- COMPENSATION OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID IND. CONTRACTORS

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