

Form **990-PF**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Private Foundation**

or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2017 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation

HICKORY FOUNDATION

A Employer identification number

22-3472805

Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address)

P.O. BOX 281

Room/suite

B Telephone number

212-840-3456

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

LAMBERTVILLE, NJ 08530C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐

G Check all that apply:

☐ Initial return☐ Final return☐ Address change☐ Initial return of a former public charity☐ Amended return☐ Name changeD 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐

H Check type of organization:

☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust☐ Other taxable private foundationE If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16)

J Accounting method:

☒ Cash☐ Accrual☐ Other (specify)F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

\$ **44,739,732.** (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses

(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a).)

(a) Revenue and expenses per books

(b) Net investment income

(c) Adjusted net income

(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received					
	2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B					
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	647,522.	627,720.		STATEMENT 1	
	5a Gross rents					
	b Net rental income or (loss)					
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	300,572.				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	5,119,215.				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		300,572.			
	8 Net short-term capital gain					
Operating and Administrative Expenses	9 Income modifications					
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances					
	b Less Cost of goods sold					
	c Gross profit or (loss)					
	11 Other income	24,222.	24,222.	0.	STATEMENT 2	
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	972,316.	952,514.	0.		
	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0.	0.	0.	0.	
	14 Other employee salaries and wages					
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits					
	16a Legal fees					
	b Accounting fees	STMT 3	14,525.	7,263.	0.	7,262.
	c Other professional fees					
	17 Interest					
	18 Taxes	STMT 4	165,425.	15,425.	0.	0.
	19 Depreciation and depletion					
	20 Occupancy					
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings					
22 Printing and publications						
23 Other expenses	STMT 5	317,522.	317,522.	0.	0.	
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23		497,472.	340,210.	0.	7,262.	
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		2,122,050.			2,122,050.	
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25		2,619,522.	340,210.	0.	2,129,312.	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:						
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		-1,647,206.				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			612,304.			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			0.			

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only		Beginning of year	End of year		
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value			
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing			8,766,000.	1,503,648.	1,503,648.	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			2,245,167.	2,428,657.	2,428,657.	
	3 Accounts receivable ▶						
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶						
	4 Pledges receivable ▶						
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶						
	5 Grants receivable						
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons						
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶						
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶						
	8 Inventories for sale or use						
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges						
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations						
	b Investments - corporate stock	STMT 6			27,615,399.	33,047,055.	40,807,427.
	c Investments - corporate bonds						
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶						
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶							
12 Investments - mortgage loans							
13 Investments - other							
14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶							
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶							
15 Other assets (describe ▶)							
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)				38,626,566.	36,979,360.	44,739,732.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses						
	18 Grants payable						
	19 Deferred revenue						
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons						
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable						
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)						
23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)				0.	0.		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 24 through 26, and lines 30 and 31. ▶ ☐						
	24 Unrestricted						
	25 Temporarily restricted						
	26 Permanently restricted						
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ ☒						
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds				0.	0.	
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund				0.	0.	
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds				38,626,566.	36,979,360.	
30 Total net assets or fund balances				38,626,566.	36,979,360.		
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances				38,626,566.	36,979,360.		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	38,626,566.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-1,647,206.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	36,979,360.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	36,979,360.

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Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (for example, real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITEIS	P		
b PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITEIS	D		
c CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 4,847,615.		4,796,934.	50,681.
b 234,728.		21,709.	213,019.
c 36,872.			36,872.
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69.			(i) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	
a			50,681.
b			213,019.
c			36,872.
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	300,572.
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	{ }	3	N/A

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

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

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

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2016	1,948,430.	40,883,479.	.047658
2015	2,442,649.	50,269,929.	.048591
2014	1,709,560.	36,329,317.	.047057
2013	1,671,864.	29,587,373.	.056506
2012	868,140.	22,907,082.	.037898

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	.237710
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5.0, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	.047542
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2017 from Part X, line 5	4	42,173,309.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	2,005,003.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	6,123.
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	2,011,126.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	2,129,312.

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

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

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	6,123.
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations, enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only; others, enter -0-)	2	0.
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	6,123.
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only; others, enter -0-)	4	0.
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	6,123.
6	Credits/Payments:		
a	2017 estimated tax payments and 2016 overpayment credited to 2017	6a	63,222.
b	Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b	0.
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	0.
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	0.
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	63,222.
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8	0.
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	57,099.
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2018 estimated tax ☒ Refunded ☐	11	0.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
1b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes? See the instructions for the definition. If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.		X
1c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. ☒ \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. ☒ \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. ☒ \$ 0.		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	N/A	
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered. See instructions. ☒ NJ		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation		X
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2017 or the tax year beginning in 2017? See the instructions for Part XIV. If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

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Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule. See instructions		X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement. See instructions		X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► N/A	X	
14 The books are in care of ► ANCHIN, BLOCK & ANCHIN LLP Telephone no. ► (212) 840-3456 Located at ► 1375 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, NY ZIP+4 ► 10018		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ► 15 N/A		
16 At any time during calendar year 2017, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►		X

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

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

	Yes	No
1a During the year, did the foundation (either directly or indirectly): (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here N/A	1b	
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2017?	1c	X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)): a At the end of tax year 2017, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2017? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ► b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.) N/A c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ►	2b	
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2017 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2017.) N/A	3b	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2017?	4b	X

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

5a During the year, did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions

☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions

N/A

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here

☒

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

6b X

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

7b

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, and foundation managers and their compensation.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
VIRGINIA JAMES	PRESIDENT			
C/O HICKORY FOUNDATION, PO BOX 281				
LAMBERTVILLE, NJ 08530	5.00	0.	0.	0.

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

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

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

0

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services		0

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

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

	Expenses
1 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments

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

	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	0.

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

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	37,803,031.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	5,012,511.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	42,815,542.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0.
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	42,815,542.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	642,233.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	42,173,309.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	2,108,665.

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

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	2,108,665.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2017 from Part VI, line 5	2a	6,123.
b	Income tax for 2017. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	6,123.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	2,102,542.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	2,102,542.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	2,102,542.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	2,129,312.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8; and Part XIII, line 4	4	2,129,312.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	5	6,123.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	2,123,189.

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

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Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2016	(c) 2016	(d) 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Part XI, line 7				2,102,542.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2017				
a Enter amount for 2016 only			0.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017:				
a From 2012				
b From 2013	270,108.			
c From 2014				
d From 2015				
e From 2016	61,716.			
f Total of lines 3a through e	331,824.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2017 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 2,129,312.				
a Applied to 2016, but not more than line 2a			0.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2017 distributable amount				2,102,542.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	26,770.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2017 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	358,594.			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2016. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2017. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2018				0.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2012 not applied on line 5 or line 7	0.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	358,594.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2013	270,108.			
b Excess from 2014				
c Excess from 2015				
d Excess from 2016	61,716.			
e Excess from 2017	26,770.			

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

N/A

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2017, enter the date of the ruling

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section

☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed

b 85% of line 2a

c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed

d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities

e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities.

Subtract line 2d from line 2c

3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:

a "Assets" alternative test - enter:

(1) Value of all assets

(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)

b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed

c "Support" alternative test - enter:

(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)

(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)

(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization

(4) Gross investment income

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year-see instructions.)**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)

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b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

NONE

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☒ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc., to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

a The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed:

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:

c Any submission deadlines:

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

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

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
ACTION INSTITUTE 98 EAST FULTON STREET GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49503	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	2,500.
ALPHA 1635 EMERSON LANE NAPERVILLE, IL 60540	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
AMERICAN FOREST FOUNDATION 2000 M STREET NW SUITE 550 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	250.
BALLOTPEDIA 8383 GREENWAY BLVD, SUITE 600 MIDDLETON, WI 53562	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
BLUE HILL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION 57 WATER STREET BLUE HILL, ME 04614	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	10,000.
Total			SEE CONTINUATION SHEET(S)	2,122,050.
b Approved for future payment				
NONE				
Total				0.

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

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

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

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule.		
(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
N/A		

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

Signature of officer or trustee Virginia James **Date** 12/14/18 **Title** PRESIDENT

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below? See inst. ☒ Yes ☐ No

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature 	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
	MARC GOLDBERG		05/09/18		P00140875
	Firm's name ▶ ANCHIN, BLOCK & ANCHIN LLP			Firm's EIN ▶ 13-0436940	
	Firm's address ▶ 1375 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10018-7001			Phone no. 212-840-3456	

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Part XV Supplementary Information**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
BROOKLIN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION 172 HIGH STREET BROOKLIN, ME 04616	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	300.
BROOKLIN VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY P O BOX 17 BROOKLIN, ME 04616	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	3,000.
BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN 1000 WASHINGTON AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11225	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
CAPITAL RESEARCH CENTER 1513 16TH STREET NW WASHINGTON, DC 20036-1480	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	15,000.
CENTER FOR EDUCATION REFORM 910 SEVENTEENTH STREET, NW 11TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20006	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT THOUGHT 1420 WALNUT STREET SUITE #1011 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	10,000.
CLASSROOM INC 245 FIFTH AVENUE, 20TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10016	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	75,000.
COMMENTARY FUND 561 SEVENTH AVENUE, 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10018	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	6,000.
DAVID HOROWITZ FREEDOM CENTER 14148 MAGNOLIA BOULEVARD SUITE #103 SHERMAN OAKS, NY 91423	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	20,000.
EAST 11TH STREET BLOCK ASSOCIATION 16 EAST 11TH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10003	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	500.
Total from continuation sheets				2,079,300.

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Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
ENCOUNTER FOR CULTURE AND EDUCATION INC 900 BROADWAY SUITE 601 NEW YORK, NY 10003	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
FOUNDATION FOR CULTURAL REVIEW INC 900 BROADWAY SUITE 602 NEW YORK, NY 10003	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
FOUNDATION FOR LANDSCAPE STUDIES 7 WEST 81ST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10024	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	2,500.
FRANK L. WRIGHT TRUST THE ROCKERY 209 SOUTH LASALLE STREET, SUITE 118 CHICAGO, IL 60604	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT BUILDING CONSERVANCY 53 W. JACKSON BOULEVARD SUITE #1120 CHICAGO, IL 60604-3567	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
FREE TO CHOOSE NETWORK 2002 FILMORE AVENUE ERIE, PA 16506	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
FRIEND MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY P O BOX 57 BROOKLIN, ME 04616	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	8,000.
FRIENDS OF ACADIA 43 COTTAGE STREET P O BOX 45 BAR HARBOR, ME 04609	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	2,500.
FRIENDS OF CZECH GREENWAYS INC 410 W 20TH STREET APT 1 NEW YORK, NY 10011	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
GILDER LEHRAMN INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN HISTORY 49 WEST 45TH STREET, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	10,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

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GOLDWATER INSTITUTE 500 EAST CORONADO ROAD PHOENIX, AZ 85004	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
GOODMAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH 6335 W NORTHWEST HWY APT 2111 DALLAS, TX 75225	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	25,000.
GREAT SCHOOLS FOR ALL CHILDREN 3 BELLFLOWER ROAD BALLSTON SPA, NY 12020	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	120,000.
HILLSDALE COLLEGE 33 E COLLEGE STREET HILLSDALE, MI 49242	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	1,000.
INSITUTE OF WORLD POLITICS 1521 16TH STREET WASHINGTON, DC 20036	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	200,000.
INSTITUTE FOR FREE SPEECH 124 S. WEST STREET SUITE 201 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	50,000.
ISLAND INSTITUTE 386 MAIN STREET P O BOX 468 ROCKLAND, ME 04841-0648	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
JOB PATH INC 256 W 38TH STREET, FLOOR 2 NEW YORK, NY 10018	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	1,000.
LALA (LOS ANGELES LEAGUE OF ARTS) 3593 GRIFFIN AVENUE LOS ANGELES, CA 90031	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	2,000.
LAMBERTVILLE-NEW HOPE AMBULANCE & RESCUE SQUAD P O BOX 237 LAMBERTVILLE, NJ 08530	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	2,000.
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LANDMARK LEGAL FOUNDATION 3100 BROADWAY SUITE #1210 KANSAS CITY, MO 64111	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	20,000.
MACKINAC CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY 140 WEST MAIN STREET P O BOX 568 MIDLAND, MI 48640	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	7,500.
MANHATTAN INSTITUTE 52 VANDERBILT AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	15,000.
MARWEEN FOUNDATION 833 NORTH ORLEANS CHICAGO, IL 60610	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	223,000.
MEDIA RESEARCH CENTER, INC 1900 CAMPUS COMMONS DRIVE SUITE 600 RESTON, VA 20191	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	100,000.
NATIONAL REVIEW INSTITUTE 233 PENNSYLVANIA AVE SE WASHINGTON, DC 20003	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	75,000.
NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN 2900 SOUTHERN BOULEVARD BRONX, NY 10458	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
NEW YORK CIVIL RIGHTS COALITION 424 WEST 33RD STREET SUITE #350 NEW YORK, NY 10001	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	30,000.
NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY 170 CENTRAL PARK WEST RICHARD GILDER WAY NEW YORK, NY 10024	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	50,000.
NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAN FUND INC 525 EAST 68TH STREET BOX 156 NEW YORK, NY 10065	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	15,000.
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ORCHESTRA OF ST LUKES SUPPORT CORPORATION 450 WEST 37TH STREET NO 502 NE YORK, NY 10018	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	200,000.
PACIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE ONE EMBARCADERO CENTER SUITE #350 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	15,000.
PARENTS TELEVISION COUNCIL INC 707 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 2075 LOS ANGELES, CA 90017	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	50,000.
PENINSULA AMBULANCE CORPS P O BOX 834 BLUE HILL, ME 04614	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
PHILANTHROPY ROUNDTABLE 1120 20TH STREET SUITE 550 SOUTH WASHINGTON, DC 20036	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
SCHOOL CHOICE WISCONSIN 219 NORTH MILWAUKEE STREET 1ST FLOOR MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
SPECIAL OPERATIONS WARRIOR FOUNDATION 1137 MARBELLA PLAZA DRIVE TAMPA, FL 33619	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	10,000.
SPENCE CHAPIN 410 EAST 92ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10128-6804	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	8,000.
SPHINX ORGANIZATION INC 400 RENAISSANCE CENTER SUITE 2550 DETROIT, MI 48243	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
THE FEDERALIST SOCIETY 1776 I STREET, NW SUITE #300 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	200,000.
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THE FUND FOR AMERICAN STUDIES 1706 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVENUE, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20009	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
THE LIFE FLIGHT FOUNDATION P O BOX 899 CAMDEN, ME 04843	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	5,000.
THE NEW CRITERION 900 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10003	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	10,000.
THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY FIFTH AVENUE AT 42ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10018	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	250,000.
THE WILLOW SCHOOL 1150 POTTERSVILLE ROAD GLADSTONE, NJ 07934	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	10,000.
THE WITHERSPOON INSTITUTE 16 STOCKTON STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08540	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	50,000.
WEST AMWELL FIRE COMPANY P O BOX 379 LAMBERTVILLE, NJ 08530	NONE	PC	CHARITABLE	2,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

FORM 990-PF		DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES			STATEMENT 1
SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST-MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
US TRUST	684,394.	36,872.	647,522.	627,720.	647,522.
TO PART I, LINE 4	684,394.	36,872.	647,522.	627,720.	647,522.

FORM 990-PF		OTHER INCOME			STATEMENT 2
DESCRIPTION		(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST-MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	
LITIGATION PROCEEDS		24,222.	24,222.	0.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11		24,222.	24,222.	0.	

FORM 990-PF		ACCOUNTING FEES			STATEMENT 3
DESCRIPTION		(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST-MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
ACCOUNTING, TAX RETURN PREPARATION AND CONSULTING		14,525.	7,263.	0.	7,262.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B		14,525.	7,263.	0.	7,262.

FORM 990-PF		TAXES			STATEMENT 4
DESCRIPTION		(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST-MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
FEDERAL TAX		150,000.	0.	0.	0.
FOREIGN TAXES PAID		15,425.	15,425.	0.	0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18		165,425.	15,425.	0.	0.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT 5
DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
INVESTMENT FEES	317,522.	317,522.	0.	0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	317,522.	317,522.	0.	0.

FORM 990-PF	CORPORATE STOCK		STATEMENT 6
DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE		FAIR MARKET VALUE
SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE	33,047,055.		40,807,427.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	33,047,055.		40,807,427.

FORM 990-PF	EXPLANATION CONCERNING PART VII-A, LINE 8B	STATEMENT 7
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EXPLANATION

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