

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2008

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

- Check if applicable
- Address change
- Name change
- Initial return
- Termination
- Amended return
- Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization **PUBLIC ADVOCATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

Doing Business As _____

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
5613 LEESBURG PIKE 17

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
FALLS CHURCH VA 22041-2912

D Employer identification number
52-1112449

E Telephone number
703-845-1808

G Gross receipts \$ **1,400,428**

F Name and address of principal officer
EUGENE DELGAUDIO
5613 LEESBURG PIKE STE 17
FALLS CHURCH VA 22041-2912

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H(b) Are all affiliates included? Yes No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

I Tax-exempt status 501(c) (**4**) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ **www.publicadvocateusa.org**

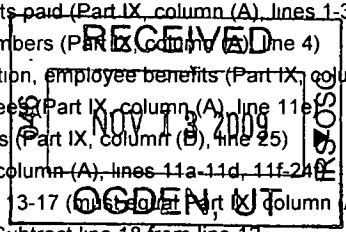
H(c) Group exemption number ▶ **N/A**

K Type of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation **1978** **M** State of legal domicile **DC**

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities IMPROVEMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROCESSES THROUGH PUBLIC EDUCATION		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	4
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	3
	5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	4
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	
	7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C)	7a	
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 1,314,260	Current Year 1,310,969
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	-418	19
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	68,037	89,440
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,381,879	1,400,428
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	964	2,075
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	53,405	59,034
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (B), line 25)	256,685	
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	1,310,189	1,342,483
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,364,558	1,403,592	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	17,321	-3,164	
Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Year 141,317	End of Year 138,153
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	141,317	138,153



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.

Eugene Delgaudio
 Signature of officer
EUGENE DELGAUDIO
 Type or print name and title

Nelson L. Castner
 Preparer's signature
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4
NELSON L. CASTNER C
7263 MAPLE PL STE 1
ANNANDALE, VA 2200

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

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

IMPROVEMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROCESSES THROUGH PUBLIC EDUCATION

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

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

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

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ **1,013,258** including grants of \$ **2,075**) (Revenue \$)

PUBLIC ADVOCATE OF THE UNITED STATES DISSEMINATES INFORMATION USING REGULAR MESSAGES AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH SUPPORTERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGH BULLETINS AND PRINTED NEWSLETTERS ON TOPICS SELECTED THROUGH POLLS AND SURVEYS. THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES COMMENTARIES ON PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO MEDIA THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. PUBLIC ADVOCATE CONDUCTS NEWS CONFERENCES, PUBLIC FORUMS, SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, STREET THEATRE, AND MAKES AVAILABLE INDIVIDUALS TO APPEAR ON RADIO AND TELEVISION TALK SHOWS.

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 ► \$ **1,013,258** (Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B))

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		X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		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		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where 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		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		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, 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		X
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		X
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	X	
12 Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U S ?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III		X
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	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 questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K If "No," go to question 25		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
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?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	X	
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
28 During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
a Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	X	
b Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
c Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	X	
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		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		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		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
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		X

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U S Information Returns Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 16		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	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 4		
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 this return (see instructions)	X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
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)?		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
c	If "Yes," to question 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		
6a	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	X	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of more than \$75?		
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		
8	Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O See instructions			
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	X	
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		X
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	The governing body?	X	
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
9b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990	X	
11	Is there any officer, director or 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

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13		X
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done		
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		X
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		X
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		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	X	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		X
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?		X
16b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **AL, AZ, AR, CA, CT, FL, IL, KS, KY, ME, MA, MD, MS**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ► **EUGENE DELGAUDIO**

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VA 22041-2912 703-845-1808

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	1,310,969			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			1,310,969		
Program Service Revenue	2a	Busn. Code				
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f					
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		19			19
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties		89,440			89,440
	6a Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	b Less rental exps					
	c Rental inc or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	b Less cost or other basis & sales exps					
	c Gain or (loss)					
	d Net gain or (loss)					
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
	b Less direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
b Less direct expenses	b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
b Less cost of goods sold	b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
11a Miscellaneous Revenue	Busn Code					
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12 Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e			1,400,428	0	0	89,459

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) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21	2,075	2,075		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	52,902	20,838	11,226	20,838
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes	6,132	2,389	1,354	2,389
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	144,889	48,296	48,297	48,296
b Legal	14,424	1,549	3,427	9,448
c Accounting	39,000		39,000	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	31,053	28,457	2,596	
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	5,257	2,629	2,628	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	10,965		10,965	
17 Travel	12,466	11,220	1,246	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	3,020	3,020		
20 Interest	-10		-10	
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	622		622	
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below)				
a POSTAGE	418,712	351,601	3,158	63,953
b PRINTING	372,866	315,482		57,384
c CREATIVE AND COORDINATING	138,061	116,813		21,248
d COMPUTER AND LIST MAINTEN	61,057	51,660		9,397
e CAGING AND ESCROW SERVICE	58,969	49,893		9,076
f All other expenses	31,132	7,336	9,140	14,656
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,403,592	1,013,258	133,649	256,685
26 Joint Costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation	1,046,508	885,449		161,059

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest bearing	138,597	1	129,983
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	1,407
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	4,003
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis	10a 6,439		
	b Less accumulated depreciation Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10b 4,419	1,980	10c 2,020
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		740	740
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		141,317	16	138,153
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable		24	
	25 Other liabilities Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25			26
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	141,317	27	138,153
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, 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	141,317	33	138,153	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	141,317	34	138,153	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?	X	
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
2c	If "Yes" to lines 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?		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?		X
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?		

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows 1-4 for totals, 5-6 for control questions.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements... 2 Complete lines 2a-2d... 3-9 Additional questions about easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report... 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report... 2 If the organization received or held works of art...

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

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

- a Public exhibition
- b Scholarly research
- c Preservation for future generations
- d Loan or exchange programs
- e Other _____

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

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 Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if organization answered "Yes" to 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 XIV and complete the following table

- c Beginning balance
- d Additions during the year
- e Distributions during the year
- f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if organization answered "Yes" to 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					
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ _____ %
- b Permanent endowment ▶ _____ %
- c Term endowment ▶ _____ %

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

- (i) unrelated organizations
- (ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

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

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		6,439	4,419	2,020
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) ▶ 2,020

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

Table with 10 rows for reconciliation of net assets. Rows include: 1 Total revenue, 2 Total expenses, 3 Excess or (deficit) for the year, 4 Net unrealized gains, 5 Donated services, 6 Investment expenses, 7 Prior period adjustments, 8 Other, 9 Total adjustments, 10 Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Table with 5 main rows for revenue reconciliation. Rows include: 1 Total revenue, gains, and other support, 2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, 3 Subtract line 2e from line 1, 4 Amounts included on Form 990 but not on line 1, 5 Total revenue. Sub-rows 2a-2d and 4a-4b are included.

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

Table with 5 main rows for expense reconciliation. Rows include: 1 Total expenses and losses, 2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, 3 Subtract line 2e from line 1, 4 Amounts included on Form 990 but not on line 1, 5 Total expenses. Sub-rows 2a-2d and 4a-4b are included.

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to 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, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b

Series of horizontal dashed lines for providing supplemental information descriptions.

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

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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 in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If line 1a is 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 officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a

- a** Receive a severance payment or change of control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?

If "Yes" to any of lines 4a–c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5–8.

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

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?

If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?

If "Yes" to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs. section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

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

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use Schedule J-1 if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in 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 are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
EUGENE DELGAUDIO	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(i)						
	(ii)						
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Part III Supplemental Information

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

Part III - Other Additional Information

PUBLIC ADVOCATE OF THE UNITED STATES PAYS EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOCIATES, INC FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES. THE PRESIDENT, EUGENE DELGAUDIO, OWNS EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOCIATES, INC. HE RECEIVED A SALARY OF \$86,909 DURING 2008 FROM EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOCIATES, INC.

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Transactions With Interested Persons

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ To be completed by organizations that answered
"Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c,
or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only)

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Description of transaction	(c) Corrected?	
			Yes	No

2 Enter the amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$ _____

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a

(a) Name of interested person and purpose	(b) Loan to or from the organization?		(c) Original principal amount	(d) Balance due	(e) In default?		(f) Approved by board or committee?		(g) Written agreement?	
	To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOC., INC. COMPENSATION ADVANCE				X	4,000	4,003		X	
EUGENE DELGAUDIO PERSONAL TELEPHONE USE		X	1,391	1,407		X		X		X
Total										

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefitting Interested Persons.

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of grant or type of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of org revenues?	
				Yes	No
EUGENE DELGAUDIO	MANAGEMENT				X
EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOC INC	MANAGEMENT	148,888	COMPENSATION		X

SCHEDULE O

(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Information to Form 990**

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations to provide additional information for responses to specific questions for the Form 990 or to provide any additional information.

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52-1112449**Amended Return Explanation**

PART IV, LINE 17 QUESTION ON PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING WAS INCORRECTLY CHECKED "YES." THIS AMENDED RETURN ANSWERS THE QUESTION "NO" AND MOVES THE AMOUNT FROM PART IX LINE 11e TO PART IX LINE 24c AS CREATIVE AND COORDINATING EXPENSE. AS A RESULT OF THESE CHANGES, SCHEDULE G HAS BEEN ELIMINATED.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 3 - Management Delegated

EUGENE DELGAUDIO, PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC ADVOCATE OF THE UNITED STATES, OWNS ALL OF THE STOCK OF EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOCIATES, INC. (EDA), A MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT COMPANY, WHICH PROVIDES PROGRAM, ADMINISTRATIVE, FUND-RAISING AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TO THE ORGANIZATION.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 10 - Organization's Process Used to Review Form 990

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE ORGANIZATION'S ATTORNEY REVIEW THE RETURN BEFORE IT IS FILED.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Process for Top Official

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVES CHANGES IN COMPENSATION PAID TO EUGENE DELGAUDIO & ASSOCIATES, INC. AFTER REVIEWING A COMPARABILITY ANALYSIS REPORT PREPARED BY WILLIAM J. OLSON, P.C., A VIRGINIA LAW FIRM WHICH HAS MANY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE DEALING WITH NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 17 - Other States Where Copy of Return is Filed

New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon,

Name of the organization

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**Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington,
West Virginia, Wisconsin**

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Governing Documents Disclosure Explanation

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST