

Form **990-EZ**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

▶ **Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.**
▶ **Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990ez.**

OMB No 1545-1150

2017

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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2017, and ending 12-31-2017

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization CNP ACTION INC Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 444 N CAPITOL STREET NW SUITE 830 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code WASHINGTON, DC 20001	D Employer identification number 52-1530983 E Telephone number (202) 207-0171 F Group Exemption Number ▶
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G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

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

I Website: ▶ N/A

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) ◀(insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other _____

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 132,790

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I.

	Description		Amount
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	101,340
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	26,450
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	5,000
	4 Investment income	4	
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Gaming and fundraising events		
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
c Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b Less cost of goods sold	7b		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8		
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶	9	132,790	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	33,186
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	5,948
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	8,083
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	1,430
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	65,937
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	17	114,584	
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	18,206
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	5,240
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	0
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	23,446

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	13,956	22	33,367
23 Land and buildings		23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		24	
25 Total assets	13,956	25	33,367
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O).	8,716	26	9,921
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	5,240	27	23,446

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?
TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON PENDING PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES

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

28 See Additional Data Table			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		28a	
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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		29a	
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31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32	66,350

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
WILLIAM WALTON CHAIRMAN	1 00	0	0	0
MORTON BLACKWELL DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
MICHAEL THOMPSON SECRETARY & TREASURER	1 00	0	0	0
KENNETH BLACKWELL DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
BOB MCEWEN PRESIDENT	2 00	0	0	0
MIKE SPENCE DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
THOMAS FITTON DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
TOM D DELAY DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
TONY PERKINS DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Rows include questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and compliance.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46	No

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only
 All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

	Yes	No
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

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

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

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

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

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE.** All Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have completed Schedule A

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

Sign Here	*****	Signature of officer
		BOB MCEWEN PRESIDENT
		Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name GAIL E CHAMBERS	Preparer's signature
	Firm's name ▶ HOMES LOWRY HORN & JOHNSON LTD	
	Firm's address ▶ 3998 FAIR RIDGE DRIVE SUITE 360 FAIRFAX, VA 220332907	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 52-1530983

Name: CNP ACTION INC

Form 990EZ, Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.	Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)	
<p>28 WORKSHOPS PROVIDE INFORMATION ON PENDING PUBLIC POLICY MATTERS AND ARE A VEHICLE FOR COORDINATING ACTION BY PARTICIPANTS (Grants \$ 0)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	64,920

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<p>29 NEWSLETTER PROVIDES INFORMATION ON PUBLIC POLICY MATTERS AND PENDING LEGISLATION AND IS A VEHICLE FOR SUGGESTING READER ACTION (Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>29a</p>	<p>1,430</p>

**TY 2017 Transfers Personal Benefits
Contracts Declaration**

Name: CNP ACTION INC

EIN: 52-1530983

Declaration: THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization
CNP ACTION INC

Employer identification number

52-1530983

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16 - OTHER EXPENSES	DESCRIPTION WORKSHOPS AMOUNT 64,920 DESCRIPTION MISCELLANEOUS AMOUNT 1,017 TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16 65,937

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26 - OTHER LIABILITIES	DESCRIPTION DEFERRED INCOME BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 2,150 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 5,750 DESCRIPTION DUE TO COUNCIL FOR NATIONAL POLICY BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 6,566 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 4,171