

Form **990-EZ**

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2009

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)
Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.	D Employer identification number 52-0895081
		Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite C/O SANDY BERGO, 910 17TH STREET, N.W. 7TH FL	E Telephone number 202-481-1218
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting method: Cash Accrual
Other (specify) _____

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

I Website: **WWW.FIJ.ORG**

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

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

K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$ **101,307.**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

		Revenue	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	100,200.
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
4	Investment income	4	536.
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	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	
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 MISCELLANEOUS)	8	571.
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	101,307.
		Expenses	
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) STMT 5	10	103,313.
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	24,375.
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	9,977.
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	5,603.
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	6,151.
16	Other expenses (describe SEE STATEMENT 1)	16	7,247.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	156,666.
		Net Assets	
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-55,359.
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	155,362.
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) SEE STATEMENT 4	20	-6,471.
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	93,532.

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. (See the instructions for Part II.)

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	146,612.	101,282.
23	Land and buildings		
24	Other assets (describe SEE STATEMENT 2)	10,000.	250.
25	Total assets	156,612.	101,532.
26	Total liabilities (describe SEE STATEMENT 3)	1,250.	8,000.
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	155,362.	93,532.

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	N/A	
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Sch. N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions.	37a	0.
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	X
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?	38a	X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	N/A
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	N/A
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	N/A
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 <u>0.</u> ; section 4912 <u>0.</u> ; section 4955 <u>0.</u>		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	X
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		0.
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		0.
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e	X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed.	NONE	
42a	The organization's books are in care of <u>THE ORGANIZATION</u> Telephone no. <u>202-481-1218</u> Located at <u>C/O SANDY BERGO, 910 17TH STREET, N.W., WASHINGT</u> ZIP + 4 <u>20006</u>		
b	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)?	42b	X
	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.		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?	42c	X
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	43	N/A
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44	X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	45	X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- 46 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
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

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."

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000, (b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Compensation, (d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation, (e) Expense account and other allowances. Row 1 contains 'NONE'.

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."

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation. Row 1 contains 'NONE'.

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

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 officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge. Signature of officer, Date, Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer's Use Only Preparer's signature, Date, Check if self-employed, Preparer's identifying number (See instr.), Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4, EIN, Phone no.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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2009

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Name of the organization FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.	Employer identification number 52-0895081
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I b Type II c Type III - Functionally integrated d Type III - Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

	Yes	No
(i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?	11g(i)	
(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?	11g(ii)	
(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?	11g(iii)	
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ. Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	30,615.	140,387.	86,980.	195,220.	100,200.	553,402.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	30,615.	140,387.	86,980.	195,220.	100,200.	553,402.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						461,618.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						91,784.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	30,615.	140,387.	86,980.	195,220.	100,200.	553,402.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	6,772.	3,917.	3,118.	1,738.	536.	16,081.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)					571.	571.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						570,054.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	

13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	16.10	%
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	16.97	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			<input type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions			<input type="checkbox"/>

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2) (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions.

PART II, SECTION B, LINE 17A, FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES TEST:

ALTHOUGH THE FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC. DOES NOT HAVE 33 1/3% PUBLIC SUPPORT, IT DOES RECEIVE A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF ITS SUPPORT FROM CONTRIBUTIONS MADE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FROM A COMBINATION OF SOURCES, INCLUDING THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 1.170A-9T SECTION (F) SUBSECTION 3(I) THE FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM DOES RECEIVE MORE THAN 10% OF ITS SUPPORT FROM PUBLIC SOURCES.

AS OUTLINED IN SECTION 1.170A-9T SECTION (F) SUBSECTION 3 (II), THE FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM IS UNDERTAKING A MAJOR CAMPAIGN FOR ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT. IN ADDITION TO FUNDRAISING WITH FOUNDATIONS THAT SUPPORT JOURNALISM, THE FUND HAS ORGANIZED A CAMPAIGN TO APPROACH PREVIOUS WINNERS AS WELL AS PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS AND JOURNALISTS TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC SUPPORT OF OUR WORK. THE FUND IS ALSO DEVELOPING A FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN USING ONLINE SOCIAL NETWORK SITES.

AS OUTLINED IN SECTION 1.170A-9T SECTION (F) SUBSECTION (III) THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR THE FUND HAS VARIED OVER THE YEARS, AND IN 2009, THE LEVEL WAS 16.10%.

MOST OF OUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE FROM A LIMITED NUMBER OF UNRELATED PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS. AS OUTLINED ABOVE, WE ARE WORKING HARD TO BROADEN OUR BASE OF PUBLIC SUPPORT.

THE FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM WAS FOUNDED IN 1969. IT HAS AN 11-MEMBER BOARD THAT CONSISTS OF ACTIVE AND RETIRED INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS, INCLUDING A NUMBER OF PULITZER PRIZE WINNERS, AND PROFESSORS AND FACULTY MEMBERS AT MAJOR UNIVERSITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY WITH WELL ESTABLISHED JOURNALISM AND INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING PROGRAMS. THE ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED CURRENTLY ON THE BOARD INCLUDE THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AND THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY.

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions.

THE FUND EXISTS TO PROVIDE A CRITICAL SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC BY SELECTING AND FINANCING WELL QUALIFIED JOURNALISTS TO PRODUCE SIGNIFICANT, INDEPENDENT AND OFTEN GROUNDBREAKING INVESTIGATIVE STORIES IN THE UNITED STATES AND AROUND THE WORLD. THE JOURNALISTS WHO RECEIVE GRANTS FROM THE FUND HAVE PRESENTED AND DISTRIBUTED THEIR WORK IN NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, ON BROADCAST PROGRAMS - BOTH TELEVISION AND RADIO, AND ON WEB SITES IN TEXT, AUDIO, AND VIDEO. THESE STORIES KEEP GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PUBLIC, PROTECT THE WEAK AND POWERLESS, SHINE LIGHT ON INJUSTICES AND THE NEED FOR REFORM, AND REVEAL SECRET ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES THAT POLLUTE THE ENVIRONMENT, PLUNDER THE PUBLIC COFFERS, OR THAT RESULT IN THE KILLING OR PHYSICAL ABUSE OF CITIZENS.

THE WORK SUPPORTED BY THE FUND HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED WITH NUMEROUS AWARDS AND SPURRED FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATIONS AND REFORM THAT CONTINUE TO BENEFIT THE PUBLIC.

THE WATCHDOG ROLE OF JOURNALISTS THAT THE FUND HAS SUPPORTED FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS IS CRUCIAL TO CREATING AND PRESERVING FREE AND DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES. BECAUSE OF THE FUND, THE PUBLIC HAS RECEIVED A GREATER AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE MAJOR ISSUES AND PROBLEMS IN THE U.S. AND AROUND THE WORLD.

THE FUND IS NOW MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER BECAUSE OF THE MAJOR REDUCTIONS IN STAFF AND RESOURCES OCCURRING IN THE NEWS MEDIA IN THE U.S. AND BECAUSE OF THE SHOCKING LACK OF RESOURCES FOR FOREIGN JOURNALISTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. WITHOUT THE FUND, MANY OF THE MOST NECESSARY AND VALUABLE INVESTIGATIVE STORIES WOULD NOT BE DONE.

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2009

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.

52-0895081

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2009)

Name of organization FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.	Employer identification number 52-0895081
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Part I Contributors (see instructions)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	ETHICS AND EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM FOUNDATION 210 PARK AVE SUITE 3150 OKLAHOMA, OK 73102	\$ 100,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
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FORM 990-EZ OTHER EXPENSES STATEMENT 1

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
BOOKS, SUBS, REFERENCE	119.
TELEPHONE	20.
INSURANCE	770.
MEETINGS	4,575.
TRAVEL	903.
MISCELLANEOUS	424.
BANK FEES	436.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16	7,247.

FORM 990-EZ OTHER ASSETS STATEMENT 2

DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
PREPAID EXPENSES	0.	250.
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	10,000.	0.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 24	10,000.	250.

FORM 990-EZ OTHER LIABILITIES STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
GRANTS PAYABLE	0.	8,000.
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	1,250.	0.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 26	1,250.	8,000.

FORM 990-EZ OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
UNREALIZED GAIN	-6,471.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 20	-6,471.

FORM 990-EZ

INFORMATION REGARDING TRANSFERS
ASSOCIATED WITH PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACTS

STATEMENT 6

A) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL
BENEFIT CONTRACT? [] YES [X] NO

B) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, PAY PREMIUMS,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT? . . [] YES [X] NO

THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES GRANTS TO PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO INVESTIGATE AND PUBLISH NEWS STORIES REGARDING PUBLIC CORRUPTION, MISBEHAVIOR, OR FUNDS MISAPPROPRIATIONS.

TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO, IN A NONPARTISAN MANNER,
INVESTIGATE AND INFORM THE PUBLIC ABOUT PUBLIC CORRUPTION AND MISBEHAVIOR.

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

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

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

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed).		
Type or print <small>File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions.</small>	Name of Exempt Organization FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.	Employer identification number 52-0895081
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. C/O SANDY BERGO, 910 17TH STREET, N.W., NO. 7	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. WASHINGTON, DC 20006	

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return):

- Form 990
 Form 990-EZ
 Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)
 Form 1041-A
 Form 5227
 Form 8870
 Form 990-BL
 Form 990-PF
 Form 990-T (trust other than above)
 Form 4720
 Form 6069

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

THE ORGANIZATION - C/O SANDY BERGO, 910 17TH STREET,

• The books are in the care of **▶ N.W., NO. 7 - WASHINGTON, DC 20006**

Telephone No. **▶ 202-481-1218** FAX No. **▶**

• If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box

• If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) . If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until **NOVEMBER 15, 2010.**

5 For calendar year **2009**, or other tax year beginning _____, and ending _____.

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

7 State in detail why you need the extension
ADDITIONAL TIME IS REQUIRED TO FILE A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RETURN.

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	8a	\$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	8b	\$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c	\$ N/A

Signature and Verification

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

Signature **▶** _____ Title **▶ CPA** Date **▶** _____

Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative

For IRS Use Only

Received by:

Name _____

Telephone _____

Function _____

Date / /

▶ Type or print. ▶ See the separate instructions.

Part I Power of Attorney

Caution: Form 2848 will not be honored for any purpose other than representation before the IRS.

1 Taxpayer information. Taxpayer(s) must sign and date this form on page 2, line 9.

Taxpayer name(s) and address

FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.
C/O SANDY BERGO, 910 17TH STREET, N.W., NO. 7
WASHINGTON, DC 20006

Social security number(s)

Daytime telephone number
202-481-1218

Employer identification number

52-0895081

Plan number (if applicable)

hereby appoint(s) the following representative(s) as attorney(s)-in-fact:

2 Representative(s) must sign and date this form on page 2, Part II.

Name and address

STEPHEN J. KELIN
C/O GELMAN, ROSENBERG & FREEDMAN
4550 MONTGOMERY AVENUE, SUITE 650N
BETHESDA, MD 20814

CAF No. 5000-45865R

Telephone No. 301-951-9090

Fax No. 301-951-3570

Check if new: Address Telephone No. Fax No.

Name and address

WENDY G. ROLDAN
C/O GELMAN, ROSENBERG & FREEDMAN
4550 MONTGOMERY AVENUE, SUITE 650N
BETHESDA, MD 20814

CAF No. 0100-47213R

Telephone No. 301-951-9090

Fax No. 301-951-3570

Check if new: Address Telephone No. Fax No.

Name and address

CAF No. _____

Telephone No. _____

Fax No. _____

Check if new: Address Telephone No. Fax No.

to represent the taxpayer(s) before the Internal Revenue Service for the following tax matters:

3 Tax matters

Type of Tax (Income, Employment, Excise, etc.) or Civil Penalty (see the instructions for line 3)	Tax Form Number (1040, 941, 720, etc.)	Year(s) or Period(s) (see the instructions for line 3)
EXEMPT ORG	FORM 3115 FORM 990EZ	12/31/2009

4 Specific use not recorded on Centralized Authorization File (CAF). If the power of attorney is for a specific use not recorded on CAF, check this box. See the instructions for **Line 4. Specific Uses Not Recorded on CAF.**

5 Acts authorized. The representatives are authorized to receive and inspect confidential tax information and to perform any and all acts that I (we) can perform with respect to the tax matters described on line 3, for example, the authority to sign any agreements, consents, or other documents. The authority does not include the power to receive refund checks (see line 6 below), the power to substitute another representative, or additional representatives, the power to sign certain returns, or the power to execute a request for disclosure of tax returns or return information to a third party. See the line 5 instructions for more information.
Exceptions. An unenrolled return preparer cannot sign any document for a taxpayer and may only represent taxpayers in limited situations. See **Unenrolled Return Preparer** on page 1 of the instructions. An enrolled actuary may only represent taxpayers to the extent provided in section 10.3(d) of Treasury Department Circular No. 230 (Circular 230). An enrolled retirement plan administrator may only represent taxpayers to the extent provided in section 10.3(e) of Circular 230. See the line 5 instructions for restrictions on tax matters partners. In most cases, the student practitioner's (levels k and l) authority is limited (for example, they may only practice under the supervision of another practitioner).

List any specific additions or deletions to the acts otherwise authorized in this power of attorney: _____

6 Receipt of refund checks. If you want to authorize a representative named on line 2 to receive, **BUT NOT TO ENDORSE OR CASH**, refund checks, initial here _____ and list the name of that representative below.

Name of representative to receive refund check(s) ▶

7 Notices and communications. Original notices and other written communications will be sent to you and a copy to the first representative listed on line 2.

a If you also want the second representative listed to receive a copy of notices and communications, check this box

b If you do not want any notices or communications sent to your representative(s), check this box

8 Retention/revocation of prior power(s) of attorney. The filing of this power of attorney automatically revokes all earlier power(s) of attorney on file with the Internal Revenue Service for the same tax matters and years or periods covered by this document. If you **do not** want to revoke a prior power of attorney, check here

YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF ANY POWER OF ATTORNEY YOU WANT TO REMAIN IN EFFECT.

9 Signature of taxpayer(s). If a tax matter concerns a joint return, **both** husband and wife must sign if joint representation is requested, otherwise, see the instructions. If signed by a corporate officer, partner, guardian, tax matters partner, executor, receiver, administrator, or trustee on behalf of the taxpayer, I certify that I have the authority to execute this form on behalf of the taxpayer.

▶ IF NOT SIGNED AND DATED, THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY WILL BE RETURNED.

Signature	Date	Title (if applicable)
Print Name	PIN Number	Print name of taxpayer from line 1 if other than individual
Signature	Date	Title (if applicable)
Print Name	PIN Number	

FUND FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM, INC.

Part II Declaration of Representative

Caution: Students with a special order to represent taxpayers in qualified Low Income Taxpayer Clinics or the Student Tax Clinic Program (levels k and l), see the instructions for Part II.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that:

- I am not currently under suspension or disbarment from practice before the Internal Revenue Service;
- I am aware of regulations contained in Circular 230 (31 CFR, Part 10), as amended, concerning the practice of attorneys, certified public accountants, enrolled agents, enrolled actuaries, and others;
- I am authorized to represent the taxpayer(s) identified in Part I for the tax matter(s) specified there; and
- I am one of the following:
 - a** Attorney - a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the jurisdiction shown below.
 - b** Certified Public Accountant - duly qualified to practice as a certified public accountant in the jurisdiction shown below.
 - c** Enrolled Agent - enrolled as an agent under the requirements of Circular 230.
 - d** Officer - a bona fide officer of the taxpayer's organization.
 - e** Full-Time Employee - a full-time employee of the taxpayer.
 - f** Family Member - a member of the taxpayer's immediate family (for example, spouse, parent, child, brother, or sister).
 - g** Enrolled Actuary - enrolled as an actuary by the Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries under 29 U.S.C. 1242 (the authority to practice before the Internal Revenue Service is limited by section 10.3(d) of Circular 230).
 - h** Unenrolled Return Preparer - the authority to practice before the Internal Revenue Service is limited by Circular 230, section 10.7(c)(1)(viii). You must have prepared the return in question and the return must be under examination by the IRS. See **Unenrolled Return Preparer** on page 1 of the instructions.
 - k** Student Attorney - student who receives permission to practice before the IRS by virtue of their status as a law student under section 10.7(d) of Circular 230.
 - l** Student CPA - student who receives permission to practice before the IRS by virtue of their status as a CPA student under section 10.7(d) of Circular 230.
 - r** Enrolled Retirement Plan Agent - enrolled as a retirement plan agent under the requirements of Circular 230(the authority to practice before the Internal Revenue Service is limited by section 10.3(e)).

▶ IF THIS DECLARATION OF REPRESENTATIVE IS NOT SIGNED AND DATED, THE POWER OF ATTORNEY WILL BE RETURNED. See the Part II instructions.

Designation - Insert above letter (a-r)	Jurisdiction (state) or identification	Signature	Date
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