

Form 990-EZ

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)

OMB No 1545-1150

2014

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

- Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
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A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2014, and ending 12-31-2014

- B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Final return/terminated, Amended return, Application pending

C Name of organization: ILLINOIS FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION
Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address): PO BOX 9292
Room/suite:
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: NAPERVILLE, IL 60567

D Employer identification number: 46-4628447
E Telephone number: (630) 533-2962
F Group Exemption Number:

G Accounting Method: [X] Cash [] Accrual Other (specify):

I Website: N/A

J Tax-exempt status (check only one): [] 501(c)(3) [] 501(c) () (insert no) [] 4947(a)(1) or [X] 527

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

K Form of organization: [X] 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 \$ 100,000

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 [X]

Table with 21 rows and 2 columns. Rows include Revenue (1-9), Expenses (10-17), and Net Assets (18-21). Values include 100,000 for total revenue and 123,433 for total expenses.

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	23,994	22	561
23 Land and buildings		23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		24	
25 Total assets	23,994	25	561
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)		26	
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	23,994	27	561

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?

THE ILLINOIS FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION IS A NON-PROFIT LOBBYING ORGANIZATION FORMED IN 2009 TO PROTECT, PRESERVE, AND PROMOTE ILLINOIS FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS ITS JOB, ITS RIGHT, AND ITS ECONOMIC VALUE IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

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 TO PROMOTE, PRESERVE, AND PROTECT ILLINOIS FIREARM MANUFACTURERS (Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
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	

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
DENNIS REESE DIRECTOR	1 00	0		
TOM REESE DIRECTOR	1 00	0		
JAY KELLER EXECUTIVE DI	10 00	50,000		
CHUCK LARSON DIRECTOR	1 00	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 columns. Rows include questions 33 through 41 regarding organizational activities, financials, and reporting requirements.

42a The organization's books are in care of JAY A KELLER Telephone no (630) 533-2962 Located at PO BOX 9292 NAPERVILLE, IL ZIP + 4 60567

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 42b and 42c regarding foreign financial accounts and offices.

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 44a through 45b regarding donor advised funds, hospital facilities, tanning services, and controlled entities.

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 Yes

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

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48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

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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"

Table with 5 columns: (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"

Table with 3 columns: (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 must attach a completed Schedule A

Yes No

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 (*****), Date (2015-07-09), Type or print name and title (JAY KELLER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name (CHRISTINA KLEIN), Preparer's signature, Date (2015-09-15), Check self-employed, PTIN (P00295589), Firm's name (KLEIN HALL CPAS), Firm's EIN (37-1437362), Firm's address (3973 75TH STREET, AURORA, IL 605047914), Phone no (630) 898-5578

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

Yes No

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

▶ **Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at**

www.irs.gov/form990.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of the organization ILLINOIS FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION	Employer identification number 46-4628447
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1** Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
- 2** Political expenditures ▶ \$ 30,000
- 3** Volunteer hours _____

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

- 1** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3** If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a** Was a correction made? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," describe in Part IV

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

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

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
(1) SENATE DEMOCRATIC VICTORY FUND	29 S LASALLE ST SUITE 936 CHICAGO, IL 60603	26-3309861	10,000	
(2) BRANDON PHELPS FOR STATE REP	PO BOX 401 HARRISBURG, IL 62946	75-3000080	1,000	
(3) FRIENDS FOR VERSCHOORE	4600 46TH AVENUE ROCK ISLAND, IL 61201	81-0607901	500	
(4) FRIENDS FOR JERRY COSTELLO II	PO BOX 186 SMITHTON, IL 62285	80-0745190	1,000	
(5) FRIENDS OF MIKE JACOBS	PO BOX 31 SILVIS, IL 61282	20-3673356	5,000	
(6) CONGRESSIONAL SPORTSMAN FOUNDATION	110 NORTH CAROLINA AVE SE WASHINGTON, DC 20003	52-1686163	5,000	

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

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 35%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 65%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
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g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part IV Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE C, PART I-A, LINE 1	CAMPAIGN DONATIONS TO PROMOTE CANDIDATES THAT WILL PRESERVE AND PROTECT ILLINOIS FIREARM RIGHTS

Part IV Supplemental Information (*continued*)

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 46-4628447

Name: ILLINOIS FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS
ASSOCIATION

Form 990, Schedule C, Part 1-C, Line 5

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's own internal funds. If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-
SENATE DEMOCRATIC VICTORY FUND	29 S LASALLE ST SUITE 936 CHICAGO,IL 60603	263309861	10000	
BRANDON PHELPS FOR STATE REP	PO BOX 401 HARRISBURG,IL 62946	753000080	1000	
FRIENDS FOR VERSCHOORE	4600 46TH AVENUE ROCK ISLAND,IL 61201	810607901	500	
FRIENDS FOR JERRY COSTELLO II	PO BOX 186 SMITHTON,IL 62285	800745190	1000	
FRIENDS OF MIKE JACOBS	PO BOX 31 SILVIS,IL 61282	203673356	5000	
CONGRESSIONAL SPORTSMAN FOUNDATION	110 NORTH CAROLINA AVE SE WASHINGTON,DC 20003	521686163	5000	

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at
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Name of the organization
ILLINOIS FIREARMS MANUFACTURERS
ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

46-4628447

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16	
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