

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)

2018

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning August 1, 2017, and ending July 31, 2018

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 21 Chicago Council of Lawyers		D Employer identification number 21 363269673 36-2696733
	Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) 22 Room/suite 750 N Lake Shore Dr 4th Floor		E Telephone number 312-988-6552
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Chicago, IL 60611		F Group Exemption Number 21
	G Accounting Method <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ▶		

I Website: ▶ www.chicagocouncil.org

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Form of organization. Corporation Trust Association Other nonprofit corporation

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)) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I) **21**

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

		Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	0			18	144
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0			19	37,247 50
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	38,270			20	0
4	Investment income	4	0			21	37,247 50
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0				
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0				
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0				
6	Gaming and fundraising events:						
a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	0				
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	0				
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	0				
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	0				
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0				
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0				
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0				
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	0				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9					
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	0				
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0				
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits 21	12	0				
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors 21	13	0				
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	3,126				
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	0				
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) 21	16	35,000				
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	38,126				
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18					
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					
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20					
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21					

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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

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35b	If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
35c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a _____		
37b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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 tax year covered by this return?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b _____		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
39a	a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a _____		
39b	b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b _____		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____		
40b	b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		
40c	c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____		
40d	d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____		
40e	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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ _____		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ _____ Telephone no. ▶ _____ Located at ▶ _____ ZIP + 4 ▶ _____		
42b	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)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
42c	c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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 _____ <input type="checkbox"/>		
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44b	b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44c	c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44d	d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45b	b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ. See instructions		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 46: Yes [], No [x]

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

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 47: Yes [], No []

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 48: Yes [], No []

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 49a: Yes [], No []

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 49b: Yes [], No []

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 (Malcolm C. Rice), Date (12/15/18), Type or print name and title (Executive Director)

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name, Preparer's signature, Date, Check [] if self-employed, PTIN, Firm's name, Firm's EIN, Firm's address, Phone no

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

**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.
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Name of the organization

Chicago Council of Lawyers

Employer identification number

Other expenses, line 16, Form 990 EZ

Payment to Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice for a staff loan. \$19,470

Payment to Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice -- revenue to Chicago Council of Lawyers earmarked as contributions to Chicago Appleseed
Fund for Justice \$15,530

Total \$35,000