

2018**Open to Public Inspection**Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

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

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A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning 4/1/2018 and ending 3/31/2019	
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 <u>American Conservative Union Inc</u> Doing business as _____ Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <u>201 North Union Street</u> <u>370</u> City or town State ZIP code <u>Alexandria</u> <u>VA</u> <u>22314</u> Foreign country name Foreign province/state/county Foreign postal code F Name and address of principal officer <u>Matt Schlapp 201 North Union Street, Ste 370, Alexandria, VA 22314</u> D Employer identification number <u>52-0810813</u> E Telephone number <u>202-347-9388</u> G Gross receipts \$ <u>16,702,315</u> H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number <u>04</u> I Tax-exempt status: <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (4) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527 J Website: <u>conservative.org</u> K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>►</u> L Year of formation <u>1964</u> M State of legal domicile <u>DC</u>

Part I Summary		Prior Year	Current Year
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities. <u>The mission of the American Conservative Union Inc (ACU) is to unite and mobilize conservatives around the basic tenets of conservatism, through various events, trainings, and policy forums.</u>		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	28
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	28
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2018 (Part VII, line 2a)	5	36
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	120
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 38	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	1,169,396	2,716,815
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	2,181,043	13,921,744
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	280	6,768
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	8,469	56,988
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,359,168	16,702,315
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0	10,000
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
Expenses	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	618,614	2,288,762
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	4,458	73,393
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <u>873,171</u>		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	1,745,321	13,526,887
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2,368,393	15,899,042
	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	990,775	803,273
	Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	1,724,239
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		744,695	5,002,378
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20		979,544	1,782,817

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.	
Sign Here	Signature of officer <u>Daniel Schneider</u> Date <u>9-25-19</u> Type or print name and title <u>Daniel Schneider, Executive Director</u>
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name <u>T Raymond Conlon</u> Preparer's signature <u>T Raymond Conlon</u> Date <u>9/25/2019</u> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN <u>P01486002</u>
	Firm's name <u>Conlon and Associates LLC</u> Firm's EIN <u>►</u>
	Firm's address <u>PO Box 6213, Silver Spring, MD 20916-6213</u> Phone no <u>(301) 598-6851</u>
	May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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Part III**Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III. ☐

- 1 Briefly describe the organization's mission.
The mission of the American Conservative Union Inc. (ACU) is to unite and mobilize conservatives around the basic tenets of conservatism, through events, trainings, and policy forums. ACU equips and empowers conservatives in support of individual liberty, responsibility, traditional values, and a strong national defense
- 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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations 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 \$ 14,479,089 including grants of \$ 10,000) (Revenue \$ 13,921,744)

The American Conservative Union (ACU), in conjunction with its related organization The American Conservative Union Foundation, hosted the Conservative Political Action Conference CPAC 2019. CPAC 2019 had over 10,000 attendees, over 4,000 mentions on television, and nearly 16,000 articles written about the event. ACU also organized and conducted meetings and conferences around the nation

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses 14,479,089

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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 (see instructions)?	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, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	X	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which 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, for escrow or custodial account liability, 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, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		X
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		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 United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	X	
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	X	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals 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, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? 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 lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a		X
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) 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
25b Is the organization 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		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? 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, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
28a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
28b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
28c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? 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, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	X	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
35b If "Yes" to line 35a, 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," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
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
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

		Yes	No
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 36		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	X	
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)			
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b		
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)?	4a		X
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		X
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	X	
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	X	
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a		
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
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		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	13a		
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O			
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b		
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year	15		X
If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.			
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income?	16		X
If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O			

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI. ☒ X

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.	28	
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent.	28	
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?	2	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?	3	X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	X
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	X
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	8a	X
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	X
9	Is there any officer, director, 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.	9	X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No	
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13.	12a	X
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done.	12c	X
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	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?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official.	15a	X
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization.	15b	X
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
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?	16a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed. **See Attached Statement**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records. **Daniel Schneider, Executive Director** 202-347-9388
 201 North Union Street, Suite 370, Alexandria, VA 22314

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☒ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
(1) Jackie Arends Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(2) Larry Beasley Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(3) Kimberly Bellisimo Director	2 00 5 00	X					0	0	0
(4) Morton C. Blackwell Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(5) Jamie Burke Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(6) Jose Cardenas Director	2 00 2 00	X					0	0	0
(7) Munel Coleman Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(8) Sean Fieler Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(9) Alan M. Gottlieb Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(10) Van D. Hipp, Jr. Director	2 00 5 00	X					0	0	0
(11) Dr. M. Zuhdi Jasser Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(12) Ed McFadden Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(13) Priscilla O'Shaughnessy Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0
(14) Ron Robinson Director	2 00 0 00	X					0	0	0

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Employer identification number
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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) Mike Rose Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(16) Peter Samuelson Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(17) Sabrina Schaeffer Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(18) Terry Schilling Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(19) Matt Smith Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(20) Chris Turner Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(21) Bill Walton Director	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(22) Thomas Winter Director	2.00 2.00	X						0	0	0
(23) Ed Yevoli Director, At-Large	2.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(24) Bob Beauprez Director, Treasurer	5.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(25) Ron Christie Director, Secretary	5.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
1b Sub-total								0	0	0
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								992,209	0	0
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								992,209	0	0

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **7**

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

	Yes	No
3		X
4	X	
5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
Strategic Consulting Inc. 2700 Woodley Road, NW, PH4 Washington, DC 200	Communications	11,272,450
Cavalry LLC 1634 Eye Street, NW, No. 800 Washington, DC	Communications	526,000
IMGE LLC 108 S Washington Street, 3rd Floor Alexandria, VA	Ad placement and conslting	286,000
Conference Direct PO Box 69777 Los Angeles, CA 90069	Event management	183,126
Satcom Direct Communications PO Box 75083 Baltimore, MD 21275	Rental office space	161,918

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **7**

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a 0			
	b Membership dues	1b 6,550			
	c Fundraising events	1c 0			
	d Related organizations	1d 0			
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e 0			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 2,710,265			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f:	\$ 0			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f	2,716,815			
Program Service Revenue	Business Code				
	2a Conference	900099	1,303,905	1,303,905	
	b Program communication	541610	11,265,932	11,265,932	
	c Program charitable support services	900099	1,351,907	1,351,907	
	d		0		
	e		0		
	f All other program service revenue		0		
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		13,921,744			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		6,768		6,768
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0		
	5 Royalties		0		
	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
	6a Gross rents				
	b Less: rental expenses				
	c Rental income or (loss)	0	0		
	d Net rental income or (loss)		0		
	(i) Securities (ii) Other				
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	0	0		
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	0	0		
	c Gain or (loss)	0	0		
	d Net gain or (loss)		0		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a 0			
	b Less: direct expenses	b 0			
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		0		
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a 0			
	b Less: direct expenses	b 0			
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0		
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a 0			
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b 0			
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code			
11a Reimbursements, insurance	900099	44,171		44,171	
b Reimbursements, expenses	900099	8,800		8,800	
c Reimbursements, other	900099	4,017		4,017	
d All other revenue		0			
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		56,988			
12 Total revenue. See instructions		16,702,315	13,921,744	0	63,756

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).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

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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 domestic organizations domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	10,000	10,000		
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.	0			
4	Benefits paid to or for members.	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	293,615	173,531	79,756	40,328
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0			
7	Other salaries and wages.	1,676,212	1,393,894	200,664	81,654
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	0			
9	Other employee benefits.	174,767	138,066	26,217	10,484
10	Payroll taxes.	144,168	113,893	21,625	8,650
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management.	0			
b	Legal.	64,658		59,158	5,500
c	Accounting.	12,500		12,500	
d	Lobbying.	298,100	298,100		
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	73,393			73,393
f	Investment management fees.	0			
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	11,745,614	11,129,188	20,444	595,982
12	Advertising and promotion.	1,456	1,456		
13	Office expenses.	76,782	25,624	42,624	8,534
14	Information technology.	98,185	93,452	1,581	3,152
15	Royalties.	0			
16	Occupancy.	162,700	128,533	24,405	9,762
17	Travel.	83,705	28,296	19,677	35,732
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	949,515	945,056	4,459	
20	Interest.	2,020		2,020	
21	Payments to affiliates.	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	18,064	0	18,064	0
23	Insurance.	13,588		13,588	
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O):				
a	-----	0			
b	-----	0			
c	-----	0			
d	-----	0			
e	All other expenses.	0			
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	15,899,042	14,479,089	546,782	873,171
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).	1,258,905	805,591		453,314

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X. ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	289,564	1	3,891,952
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0	2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	740,545	3	510,000
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	16,796	9	1,596,550
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 61,166		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 32,764	10c	28,402
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	630,868	15	758,291
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	1,724,239	16	6,785,195	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	744,695	17	2,718,982
	18 Grants payable	0	18	
	19 Deferred revenue	0	19	1,737,745
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17–24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	545,651
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	744,695	26	5,002,378
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	979,544	27	1,782,817
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	0	28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	0	29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0	30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0	31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0	32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	979,544	33	1,782,817
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.	1,724,239	34	6,785,195

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI. ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	16,702,315
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	15,899,042
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	803,273
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	979,544
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	1,782,817

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII. ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2a	X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	X
c If "Yes" to line 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? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	2c	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?	3a	X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b	

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2018

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

If the organization answered "Yes," on 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," on 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," on 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 organization American Conservative Union Inc	Employer identification number 52-0810813
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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 (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$ **236,000**
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) ▶ **0**

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 ▶ \$ **236,000**
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ **0**
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ **236,000**
- 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)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

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)		0												
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		0												
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0	0												
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures		0												
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	0	0												
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	0	0												
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>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.		
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.														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	0	0												
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0												
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	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) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount				0	0
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					0
c Total lobbying expenditures				0	0
d Grassroots nontaxable amount				0	0
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					0
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures				0	0

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)).

For each "Yes," response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
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.			0
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 X	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	X
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?	3	X

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	0
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	0

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.

Part I-A Line 1 Ad placement

Part IV Supplemental Information (continued)

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**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
► Attach to Form 990.

► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization

American Conservative Union Inc.

Employer identification number

52-0810813

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.	
a Total number of conservation easements	2a Held at the End of the Tax Year
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►	
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►	
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►	
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$	
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements	

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items	
b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items.	
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	► \$
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X	► \$
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:	
a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	► \$
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X	► \$

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

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, 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 XIII
- 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 Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 XIII and complete the following table
- | | Amount |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance | |
| d Additions during the year | |
| e Distributions during the year | |
| f Ending balance | 0 |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII ☐

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	0	0	0	0	0

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment %
- b Permanent endowment %
- c Temporarily restricted endowment %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

- 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" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	0	0		0
b Buildings	0	0	0	0
c Leasehold improvements	0	20,635	16,679	3,956
d Equipment	0	40,531	16,085	24,446
e Other	0	0	0	0
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				28,402

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives	0	
(2) Closely-held equity interests	0	
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)	0	

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)	0	

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) Funds held in escrow	4,747
(2) Security deposit	13,058
(3) Due from related organization	740,486
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.)	758,291

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes	0	
(2) Due to related organization	545,651	
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.)	545,651	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☐

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

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SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
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Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17.
Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a** ☒ Mail solicitations **e** ☒ Solicitation of non-government grants
b ☐ Internet and email solicitations **f** ☐ Solicitation of government grants
c ☐ Phone solicitations **g** ☐ Special fundraising events
d ☒ In-person solicitations

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☒ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1 Forthnght Strategy 1155 5th St NW Ste 410 Washington DC 2	Direct Mail		X	1,358,211	1,358,211	0
2 Media & Public Affairs	Consulting		X	0	65,000	0
3 Street3	Consulting		X	0	8,393	0
4				0	0	0
5				0	0	0
6				0	0	0
7				0	0	0
8				0	0	0
9				0	0	0
10				0	0	0
Total				1,358,211	1,431,604	0

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

AK, AL, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, NY, OH
OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts			0	0
	2 Less: Contributions			0	0
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)			0	0
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes			0	0
	5 Noncash prizes			0	0
	6 Rent/facility costs			0	0
	7 Food and beverages			0	0
	8 Entertainment			0	0
	9 Other direct expenses			0	0
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				0
	11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				0

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
1 Gross revenue				0
2 Cash prizes				0
3 Noncash prizes				0
4 Rent/facility costs				0
5 Other direct expenses				0
6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				0
8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)				0

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain _____

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in
- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | % |
- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ 0 and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____ 0
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ _____

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____ 0

Description of services provided ▶ _____

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____ 0

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

Part I Line 2b All contributions are deposited into an escrow account under exclusive custody and control of an agent, unrelated to Forthright Strategy. The escrow agent, upon approval of American Conservative Union, authorizes funds to be used for direct mail expenses by Forthright Strategy.

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) Freedom Works 111 K Street NE, No. 600 Washington	52-1349353	501(c)(4)	10,000	0			General support
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

1

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Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information

Part I Line 2 ACU requests a budget proposal and final report on use of funds

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

American Conservative Union Inc.

Compensation Information

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

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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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 on 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 (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

- b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are 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 directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?

- 3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.
- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input 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 on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- 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 section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5–9.

- 5** For persons listed on 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" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

- 6** For persons listed on 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" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

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

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

- 9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7		X
8		X
9		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on 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 aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 Daniel Schneider Executive Director	(i)	263,194	6,443				269,637	
	(ii)						0	
2 Patrick Nolan Manager	(i)	219,000	0				219,000	
	(ii)						0	
3	(i)							
	(ii)							
4	(i)							
	(ii)							
5	(i)							
	(ii)							
6	(i)							
	(ii)							
7	(i)							
	(ii)							
8	(i)							
	(ii)							
9	(i)							
	(ii)							
10	(i)							
	(ii)							
11	(i)							
	(ii)							
12	(i)							
	(ii)							
13	(i)							
	(ii)							
14	(i)							
	(ii)							
15	(i)							
	(ii)							
16	(i)							
	(ii)							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Transactions With Interested Persons

- **Complete if the organization 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), section 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations only)

Complete if the organization 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) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by 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.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
(5)												
(6)												
(7)												
(8)												
(9)												
(10)												

Total. ► \$ 0

Part III

Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization 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 assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
(7)				
(8)				
(9)				
(10)				

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Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2018

Part IV**Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.**

Complete if the organization 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 organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) Kimberly Bellissimo	Director		Direct mail services		X
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					

Part V**Supplemental Information.**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions)

Part IV Line 1 The director is the majority partner of Forthright Strategy, a direct mail

company engaged by the ACU. ACU did not provide funds to Forthright Strategy. Rather,

direct mail expenses incurred by Forthright Strategy were paid from direct mail receipts

See attached Schedule G Part I and IV.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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Accountant It is reviewed by the Director of Finance and Operations, Counsel, Executive

Director, Treasurer, and Chairman, prior to filing with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c Each individual is provided copy of Conflict of

Interest Policy Annually, each individual shall complete Disclosure Form identifying any

relationships, positions, circumstances, which he believes could contribute to conflict by he

or a family member Situation is investigated and resolved by Executive Director in

conjunction with the Governing Body.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15 For the Organization, compensation is reviewed and

determined annually be the Organization's Governing Body The review and approval process

consists of performance evaluation, as well as consideration of available data on compensation

paid by similar organizations in the geographic area.

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19 The Organization makes required documents available

upon request, in accordance with IRS rules.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g The \$11,745,614 is comprised of the following Administration

\$26,049; Communications \$10,259,021, direct mail \$1,258,905, marketing \$16,000, development

\$119,365; fundraising \$66,274

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

American Conservative Union Inc.

52-0810813

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)****Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.

▶ Attach to Form 990

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

American Conservative Union Inc

52-0810813

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) American Conservative Union Foundation Inc, 52-1294880 201 North Union St., Ste 370 Alexandria, VA 22314	Education	DC	501(c)(3)	7	N/A		X
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
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Part III

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
(5)												
(6)												
(7)												

Part IV

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
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(2)									
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Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note: Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

	Yes	No
1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?		
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	X
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	X
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	X
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	X
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	X
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	X
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	X
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	X
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	X
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	X
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	X
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	X
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	X
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	X
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	X
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	X
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	X
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	X
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	X

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) American Conservative Union Foundation Inc	i	1,351,907	Invoice for services
(2) American Conservative Union Foundation Inc	r	545,651	Conference revenue
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
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Part VII**Supplemental Information.**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.