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Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation

Note: *The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements*

OMB No 1545-0052

2008

For calendar year 2008, or tax year beginning , **2008, and ending** ,

G Check all that apply | Initial return | Final return | Amended return | Address change | Name change

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.

Name of foundation
THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) | Room/suite
1016 16TH STREET NW | 8TH FLOOR

City or town | State | ZIP code
WASHINGTON | DC | 20036

A **Employer identification number**
31-6032844

B Telephone number (see the instructions)
(202) 223-5452

C If exemption application is pending, check here ▶ ☐

D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ▶ ☐
2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ▶ ☐

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ▶ ☐

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ▶ ☒

H Check type of organization ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year *(from Part II, column (c), line 16)*
▶ $ 40,511,485.

J Accounting method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual
☐ Other (specify) _____
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)

Part I	Analysis of Revenue and Expenses *(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see the instructions))*	(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
REVENUE	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc, received (att sch)	221,002.			
	2 Ck ▶ ☐ if the foundn is **not** req to att Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	10,511.	10,511.		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	918,748.	918,748.		
	5a Gross rents	50,730.	50,730.		
	b Net rental income or (loss) -29,886.				
	6a Net gain/(loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	-836,104.	L-6a Stmt		
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 4,035,843.				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		0.		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit/(loss) (att sch)				
	11 Other income (attach schedule) See Line 11 Stmt	175,473.	0.		
	12 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 11	540,360.	979,989.		
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	387,153.	13,721.		373,432.
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	448,992.			448,992.
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	152,324.			152,324.
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule) L-16a Stmt	158,602.	39,650.		118,952.
	b Accounting fees (attach sch) L-16b Stmt	18,360.	2,754.		15,606.
	c Other prof fees (attach sch) L-16c Stmt	367,374.			367,374.
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule)				
	19 Depreciation (attach sch) and depletion	205,370.			
	20 Occupancy	783,051.	80,616.		702,435.
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	117,094.			117,094.
	22 Printing and publications	25,890.			25,890.
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule) See Line 23 Stmt	405,414.	19,047.		386,667.
	24 **Total operating and administrative expenses.** Add lines 13 through 23	3,069,624.	155,788.		2,708,766.
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	380,093.			442,593.
	26 **Total expenses and disbursements.** Add lines 24 and 25	3,449,717.	155,788.		3,151,359.
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
	a **Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements**	-2,909,357.			
	b **Net investment income** (if negative, enter -0-)		824,201.		
	C **Adjusted net income** (if negative, enter -0-)				

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Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end of-year amounts only (See instructions)

		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
ASSETS	1 Cash – non-interest-bearing			
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	1,249,993.	157,482.	157,482.
	3 Accounts receivable ► 163,787.			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ► 0.	321,045.	163,787.	163,787.
	4 Pledges receivable ►			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ►			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see the instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach sch) ►			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ►			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	13,148.	50,510.	50,510.
	10a Investments – U S and state government obligations (attach schedule) L-10a Stmt	206,424.	281,395.	281,395.
	b Investments – corporate stock (attach schedule) L-10b Stmt	38,261,882.	21,195,135.	21,195,135.
	c Investments – corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments – land, buildings, and equipment basis ►			
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ►			
	12 Investments – mortgage loans			
	13 Investments – other (attach schedule) L-13 Stmt	11,742,815.	12,500,775.	12,500,775.
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ► 6,434,606.			
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) L-14 Stmt ► 272,205.	6,097,441.	6,162,401.	6,162,401.
	15 Other assets (describe ►)			
	16 **Total assets** (to be completed by all filers – see instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	57,892,748.	40,511,485.	40,511,485.
LIABILITIES	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	292,702.	20,884.	
	18 Grants payable	62,500.	0.	
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, & other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ► L-22 Stmt)	6,300,000.	8,892,279.	
	23 **Total liabilities** (add lines 17 through 22)	6,655,202.	8,913,163.	
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	**Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ► [X] and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.**			
	24 Unrestricted	51,237,546.	31,598,322.	
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ► [ ] and complete lines 27 through 31.			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30 **Total net assets or fund balances** (see the instructions)	51,237,546.	31,598,322.	
	31 **Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances** (see the instructions)	57,892,748.	40,511,485.	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year – Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	51,237,546.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-2,909,357.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ►	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	48,328,189.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ► See Other Decreases Stmt	5	16,729,867.
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) – Part II, column (b), line 30	6	31,598,322.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

	(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shares MLC Company)	(b) How acquired P — Purchase D — Donation	(c) Date acquired (month, day, year)	(d) Date sold (month, day, year)
1a	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES			
b				
c				
d				
e				

	(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a	4,035,843.		4,871,947.	-836,104.
b				
c				
d				
e				

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

	(i) Fair Market Value as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of column (i) over column (j), if any	(l) Gains (Column (h) gain minus column (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from column (h))
a				-836,104.
b				
c				
d				
e				

2	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) — If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7; If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	-836,104.
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) . If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see the instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	3	

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If 'Yes,' the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (column (b) divided by column (c))
2007	3,059,643.	41,612,290.	0.073527
2006	2,725,618.	46,618,823.	0.058466
2005	1,851,209.	43,000,867.	0.043051
2004	2,061,136.	40,960,016.	0.050321
2003	1,657,626.	34,565,680.	0.047956

2	**Total** of line 1, column (d)	2	0.273321
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period — divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0.054664
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2008 from Part X, line 5	4	43,581,123.
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	2,382,319.
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	8,242.
7	Add lines 5 and 6	7	2,390,561.
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	3,151,359.

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 – see the instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ► ☐ and enter 'N/A' on line 1. Date of ruling letter _____. (attach copy of ruling letter if necessary – see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ► ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	8,242.
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, column (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	2	0.
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	8,242.
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4	0.
5	**Tax based on investment income.** Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	8,242.
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2008 estimated tax pmts and 2007 overpayment credited to 2008 — 6a: 0.		
b	Exempt foreign organizations – tax withheld at source — 6b: 0.		
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868) — 6c: 0.		
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld — 6d: 0.		
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	0.
8	Enter any **penalty** for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☒ if Form 2220 is attached	8	0.
9	**Tax due.** If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter **amount owed** ►	9	0.
10	**Overpayment.** If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the **amount overpaid** ►	10	0.
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be **Credited to 2009 estimated tax** ► **Refunded** ►	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

			Yes	No
1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a		X
b	Did it spend more than $100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see the instructions for definition)?	1b		X
	*If the answer is 'Yes' to **1a** or **1b**, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities*			
c	Did the foundation file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	1c		X
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: **(1)** On the foundation ► $ _____ **(2)** On foundation managers ► $ _____			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ► $ _____			
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? *If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of the activities*	2		X
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? *If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes*	3		X
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?	4a		X
b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year?	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? *If 'Yes,' attach the statement required by General Instruction T*	5		X
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6	X	
7	Did the foundation have at least $5,000 in assets at any time during the year? *If 'Yes,' complete Part II, column (c), and Part XV*	7	X	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see the instructions) ► _____ See States Registered In			
b	If the answer is 'Yes' to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by *General Instruction G? If 'No,' attach explanation*	8b	X	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2008 or the taxable year beginning in 2008 (see instructions for Part XIV)? *If 'Yes,' complete Part XIV*	9		X
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' attach a schedule listing their names and addresses*	10		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities *Continued*

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(3)? If 'Yes', attach schedule (see instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	X	

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Located at ► 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC ZIP + 4 ► 20036

15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of **Form 1041** – Check here ► ☐

and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ► 15

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the 'Yes' column, unless an exception applies.

			Yes	No
1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)			
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No		
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No		
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No		
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	☒ Yes ☐ No		
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?	☐ Yes ☒ No		
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (**Exception.** Check 'No' if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.)	☐ Yes ☒ No		
b	If any answer is 'Yes' to 1a(1)-(6), did **any** of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53 4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see the instructions)?		1b	X
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ► ☐			
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2008?		1c	X
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a	At the end of tax year 2008, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2008?	☐ Yes ☒ No		
	If 'Yes,' list the years ► 20__ , 20__ , 20__ , 20__			
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is **not** applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to **all** years listed, answer 'No' and attach statement – see the instructions)		2b	
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to **any** of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ► 20__ , 20__ , 20__ , 20__			
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	☒ Yes ☐ No		
b	If 'Yes,' did it have excess business holdings in 2008 as a result of **(1)** any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, **(2)** the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or **(3)** the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? *(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2008)*		3b	X
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		4a	X
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2008?		4b	X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required *(continued)*

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to				
(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?	☐ Yes	☒ No		
(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	☐ Yes	☒ No		
(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	☒ Yes	☐ No		
(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc, organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see instructions)	☐ Yes	☒ No		
(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	☐ Yes	☒ No		
b If any answer is 'Yes' to 5a(1)-(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53 4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?			5b	X
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ► ☐				
c If the answer is 'Yes' to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?	☐ Yes	☐ No		
If 'Yes,' attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)				
6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	☐ Yes	☒ No		
b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?			6b	X
If you answered 'Yes' to 6b, also file Form 8870				
7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	☐ Yes	☒ No		
b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?			7b	

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
CHESTER E. FINN, JR. 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE 20.00	101,553.	12,000.	0.
ERIC OSBERG 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	VICE PRES. AND TREASURER 20.00	75,000.	8,700.	0.
MICHAEL PETRILLI 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	VICE PRES. - NATIONAL P 20.00	75,000.	8,700.	0.
See Information about Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc		97,500.	8,700.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1— see instructions). If none, enter 'NONE.'

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than $50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
KATHRYN MULLEN UPTON 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	DIRECTOR OF SPONSORSHIP 40.00	92,500.	10,800.	0.
0				
0				
0				
0				

Total number of other employees paid over $50,000 ► None

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors *(continued)*

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services – (see instructions). If none, enter 'NONE.'

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than $50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
PORTER, WRIGHT, MORRIS & ARTHUR 1919 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW, STE 500 WASHINGTON DC 20006	LEGAL SERVICES	127,153.
SIX CONSULTING 1124 10TH STREET NW, #2B WASHINGTON DC 20001	CONSULTING SERVICES	82,500.
Total number of others receiving over $50,000 for professional services ►		None

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
1 OHIO COMMUNITY SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP - OVERSEEING THE MANAGEMENT AND ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE OF COMMUNITY SCHOOLS IN OHIO AS A STATE-APPROVED SPONSORING ORGANIZATION.	538,118.
2 NATIONAL EDUCATION REFORM EFFORTS - DEVELOPING AND MANAGING THE FORDHAM FELLOWS AND FORDHAM SCHOLARS PROGRAMS. PROVIDING GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL QUARTERLY, EDUCATION NEXT, AND NONPROFITS SUCH AS THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS.	464,099.
3 OHIO EDUCATION REFORM EFFORTS - DEVELOPING STUDIES ON STANDARDS AND TESTING, SCHOOL FUNDING, AND VARIOUS EDUCATION REFORMS IN OHIO.	233,023.
4 REPORTS AND CAPACITY BUILDING RELATED TO CURRICULUM CONTENT - SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW NONPROFIT PROMOTING LIBERAL ARTS STUDIES IN THE K-12 EDUCATION.	174,294.

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2.	Amount
1 NONE	0.
2 NONE	0.
All other program-related investments See instructions 3 NONE	0.
Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ►	None

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc, purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	43,898,331.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	346,464.
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	
d	**Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	44,244,795.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation) — 1e		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	44,244,795.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	663,672.
5	**Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	43,581,123.
6	**Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5	6	2,179,056.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ► ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6			1	2,179,056.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2008 from Part VI, line 5	2a	8,242.		
b	Income tax for 2008 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	0.		
c	Add lines 2a and 2b			2c	8,242.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1			3	2,170,814.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions			4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4			5	2,170,814.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)			6	
7	**Distributable amount** as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1			7	2,170,814.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc, purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc – total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	3,151,359.
b	Program-related investments – total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc, purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	**Qualifying distributions** Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	3,151,359.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	5	8,242.
6	**Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	3,143,117.

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2007	(c) 2007	(d) 2008
1 Distributable amount for 2008 from Part XI, line 7				2,170,814.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2007.				
a Enter amount for 2007 only			0.	
b Total for prior years 20___, 20___, 20___				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2008				
a From 2003 0.				
b From 2004 0.				
c From 2005 0.				
d From 2006 0.				
e From 2007 1,068,837.				
f **Total** of lines 3a through e	1,068,837.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2008 from Part XII, line 4 ► $ 3,151,359.				
a Applied to 2007, but not more than line 2a			0.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required – see instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required – see instructions)				
d Applied to 2008 distributable amount				1,101,678.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	2,049,681.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2008 *(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)*	1,068,837.			1,068,837.
6 **Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:**				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	2,049,681.			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount – see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2007 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount – see instructions			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2008 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2009				299.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2003 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	0.			
9 **Excess distributions carryover to 2009.** Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	2,049,681.			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2004 0.				
b Excess from 2005 0.				
c Excess from 2006 0.				
d Excess from 2007 0.				
e Excess from 2008 2,049,681.				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9) N/A

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2008, enter the date of the ruling ▶

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			
	(a) 2008	(b) 2007	(c) 2006	(d) 2005	(e) Total
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon.					
a 'Assets' alternative test – enter (1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b 'Endowment' alternative test – enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed					
c 'Support' alternative test – enter (1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had $5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year – see instructions.)

1 **Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than $5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

NONE

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

NONE

2 **Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc, Programs:**

Check here ▶ ☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc, (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed·

See Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc, Programs

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

c Any submission deadlines·

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a *Paid during the year*				
SEE ATTACHED				380,093.
Total			► 3a	380,093.
b *Approved for future payment*				
NONE				0.
Total			► 3b	0.

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	(e) Related or exempt function income (see the instructions)
1 Program service revenue:					
a SPONSORSHIP INCOME					141,484.
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	10,511.	
4 Dividends and interest from securities			14	918,748.	
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a Debt-financed property					
b Not debt-financed property					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	-836,104.	
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue					
a MISCELLANEOUS INCOME					8,989.
b GROSS RENT RECEIVED			16	50,730.	
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal Add columns (b), (d), and (e)				143,885.	150,473.
13 **Total.** Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)				13	294,358.

(See worksheet in the instructions for line 13 to verify calculations)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See the instructions)
1a	SPONSORSHIP INCOME RECEIVED FROM CHARTER SCHOOLS.
11a	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME RELATED TO THE EXEMPT PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION.
11b	RENTAL INCOME RECEIVED FROM SUBLETTING OFFICE SPACE FOR PART OF 2008.

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?		
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of		
	(1) Cash	1a (1)		X
	(2) Other assets	1a (2)		X
b	Other transactions:		
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization	1b (1)		X
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization	1b (2)		X
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets	1b (3)		X
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements	1b (4)		X
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees	1b (5)		X
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations	1b (6)		X
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	1c		X

d If the answer to any of the above is 'Yes,' complete the following schedule Column **(b)** should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column **(d)** the value of the goods, other assets, or services received

(a) Line no	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If 'Yes,' complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

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 taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

SIGN HERE

► Signature of officer or trustee — Date 11/11/09 — ► Title President

Paid Preparer's Use Only				
Preparer's signature ►	Robert S. [illegible]	Date 11/11/09	Check if self-employed ► ☒	Preparer's Identifying number (See Signature in the instrs)
Firm's name (or yours if self employed), address, and ZIP code ►	Lane & Company, CPA's 1920 N Street NW, Suite 320 Washington DC 20036		EIN ►	
			Phone no ►	(202) 463-6500

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

► Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ and 990-PF
► See separate instructions.

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION	31-6032844

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:	Section:
Form 990 or 990-EZ	☐ 501(c)(____) (enter number) organization
	☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
	☐ 527 political organization
Form 990-PF	☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
	☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
	☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule** (**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule See instructions)

General Rule –

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

Special Rules –

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

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

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

Caution: Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) but they **must** answer 'No' on Part IV, line 2 of their Form 990, or check the box in the heading of their Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Name of organization: THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION

Employer identification number: 31-6032844

Part I Contributors (see instructions)

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	THOMAS B. FORDHAM INSTITUTE 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	$ 210,342.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
2	THE ELI AND EDYTHE BROAD FOUNDATION 10900 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, TWELFTH FLOOR LOS ANGELES CA 90024	$ 10,010.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
		$	Person [ ] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
		$	Person [ ] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
		$	Person [ ] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
		$	Person [ ] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

Form 990-PF Part I, Line 6a	Net Gain or Loss From Sale of Assets	2008

Name	Employer Identification Number
THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION	31-6032844

Asset Information:

Description of Property: PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES

Date Acquired. Various — How Acquired: Purchased

Date Sold. Various — Name of Buyer: VARIOUS

Sales Price 4,035,843. — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation) 4,871,947.

Sales Expense — Valuation Method.

Total Gain (Loss) -836,104. — Accumulation Depreciation

Description of Property

Date Acquired — How Acquired.

Date Sold — Name of Buyer

Sales Price — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense — Valuation Method

Total Gain (Loss) — Accumulation Depreciation

Description of Property

Date Acquired — How Acquired

Date Sold — Name of Buyer

Sales Price — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense — Valuation Method:

Total Gain (Loss) — Accumulation Depreciation.

Description of Property

Date Acquired — How Acquired

Date Sold — Name of Buyer.

Sales Price — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense — Valuation Method

Total Gain (Loss): — Accumulation Depreciation

Description of Property

Date Acquired — How Acquired.

Date Sold — Name of Buyer

Sales Price — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense — Valuation Method

Total Gain (Loss) — Accumulation Depreciation:

Description of Property

Date Acquired — How Acquired

Date Sold — Name of Buyer

Sales Price — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense — Valuation Method:

Total Gain (Loss) — Accumulation Depreciation

Description of Property.

Date Acquired — How Acquired

Date Sold — Name of Buyer

Sales Price. — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense — Valuation Method:

Total Gain (Loss) — Accumulation Depreciation:

Description of Property

Date Acquired — How Acquired

Date Sold. — Name of Buyer:

Sales Price — Cost or other basis (do not reduce by depreciation)

Sales Expense. — Valuation Method:

Total Gain (Loss) — Accumulation Depreciation.

Form 990-PF, Page 1, Part I, Line 11
Line 11 Stmt

Other income:	Rev/Exp Book	Net Inv Inc	Adj Net Inc
CONTRACT FEES	166,484.	0.	
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	8,989.	0.	
Total	175,473.	0.	

Form 990-PF, Page 1, Part I, Line 23
Line 23 Stmt

Other expenses:	Rev/Exp Book	Net Inv Inc	Adj Net Inc	Charity Disb
Equipment Rental and Maintenance	85,544.			85,844.
Supplies	16,397.			16,397.
Brokerage Fees	19,047.	19,047.		0.
Website and IT	64,560.			64,560.
Postage and Shipping	20,250.			20,250.
Temps/Interns	69,123.			69,123.
Miscellaneous	52,300.			52,300.
Insurance	49,319.			49,319.
Telephone	28,874.			28,874.
Total	405,414.	19,047.		386,667.

Form 990-PF, Page 2, Part III, Line 5
Other Decreases Stmt

UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS	14,137,588.
LOSS ON INTEREST RATE SWAP	2,592,279.
Total	16,729,867.

Form 990-PF, Page 4, Part VII-A, Line 8a
States Registered In

DC - District of Columbia
OH - Ohio

Form 990-PF, Page 6, Part VIII, Line 1
Information about Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
Person [X] Business [ ] TERENCE RYAN 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	VICE PRES - OHIO 20.00	75,000.	8,700.	0.

Form 990-PF, Page 6, Part VIII, Line 1 Continued

Information about Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation **(If not paid, enter -0-)**	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
Person [X] Business [ ] THOMAS A. HOLTON 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	SECRETARY AND TRU 1.00	3,000.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] MICHAEL W. KELLY 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	TRUSTEE 1.00	3,000.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] CRAIG KENNEDY 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	TRUSTEE 1.00	3,000.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] BRUNO V. MANNO 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	TRUSTEE 1.00	3,000.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] ROD PAIGE 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	TRUSTEE 1.00	2,500.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] DAVID PONITZ 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	CHAIRMAN AND TRUS 1.00	3,000.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] DIANE RAVITCH 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON DC 20036	TRUSTEE 1.00	2,500.	0.	0.
Person [X] Business [ ] DAVID DRISCOLL 23 CRANMORE LANE MELROSE MA 02176	TRUSTEE 1.00	2,500.	0.	0.
Total		97,500.	8,700.	0.

Form 990-PF, Page 10, Part XV, Line 2
Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc, Programs

Name MR. CHESTER E. FINN, JR., PRESIDENT, THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION
Address 1016 16TH STREET NW, 8TH FLOOR
City, St, Zip, Phone WASHINGTON DC 20036 (202) 223-5452

The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:
A LETTER STATING THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE GRANT WILL BE USED AND A COPY

Any submission deadlines:
NONE

Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:
NONE
Name
Address
City, St, Zip, Phone

The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:
OF AN EXEMPTION LETTER.

Any submission deadlines.

Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

Form 990-PF, Page 1, Part I, Line 16a
L-16a Stmt

Line 16a - Legal Fees:

Name of Provider	Type of Service Provided	Amount Paid Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
PORTER WRIGHT MORRIS	LEGAL SERVICES	127,154.	31,788.		
REED SMITH, LLP	LEGAL SERVICES	25,650.	6,412.		
KING & NORDLINGER, L	LEGAL SERVICES	5,798.	1,450.		
Total		158,602.	39,650.		

Form 990-PF, Page 1, Part I, Line 16b
L-16b Stmt

Line 16b - Accounting Fees:

Name of Provider	Type of Service Provided	Amount Paid Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
LANE AND COMPANY	AUDIT AND TAX	18,360.	2,754.		
Total		18,360.	2,754.		

Form 990-PF, Page 1, Part I, Line 16c
L-16c Stmt

Line 16c - Other Professional Fees: Name of Provider	Type of Service Provided	Amount Paid Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
DOUG BESHAROV	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
LAURA BORNFREUND	FORDHAM FELLOWSHIPS	11,335.			
CATHERINE CULLEN	FORDHAM FELLOWSHIPS	11,335.			
FARKAS DUFFET RESEAR	CONSULTING SERVICES	25,000.			
TERRY GRIER	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
JAMES HERMAN	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
FREDERICK HESS	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
EUGENE HICKOK	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
BEN HOFFMAN	FORDHAM FELLOWSHIPS	11,335.			
DAWN JONES THOMAS	CONSULTING SERVICES	4,560.			
NORA KERN	FORDHAM FELLOWSHIPS	11,335.			
LOURDES LAMBERT	CONSULTING SERVICES	4,200.			
DEBORAH MEIER	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
RICK NELSON	CONSULTING SERVICES	500.			
THOMAS PAYZANT	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
DAVID ALLEN POWELL	FORDHAM FELLOWSHIPS	11,335.			
PUBLIC IMPACT	CONSULTING SERVICES	20,000.			
EMILIA RYAN	CONSULTING SERVICES	2,000.			
JON SCHNUR	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
CYNTHIA SHOEMAKER	CONSULTING SERVICES	300.			
SIX CONSULTING	CONSULTING SERVICES	82,500.			
SOL STERN	CONSULTING SERVICES	11,000.			
QUENTIN SUFFREN	COPYEDITING	6,200.			
DAWN THOMAS	CONSULTING SERVICES	2,100.			
TOTAL EDUCATION SOLU	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,315.			
PATRICK WOLF	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
ALTON CREATIVE	CONSULTING SERVICES	5,315.			
CRESA PARTNERS	REAL ESTATE BROKER SER	2,537.			
DISCONNECT RECONNECT	CONSULTING SERVICES	5,000.			
DS GREEN INTERACTIVE	CONSULTING SERVICES	16,507.			
PETER EDELMAN	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
MONTGOMERY CTY ED SE	CONSULTING SERVICES	32.			
OTJ ARCHITECTS	ARCHITECT FEES	27,600.			
PARTNERS FOR SUCCESS	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,040.			
PIP PRINTING	PRINTING SERVICES	4,560.			
PUBLIC IMPACT	CONSULTING SERVICES	31,000.			
DIANE RAVITCH	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,000.			
ROBINSON&MUENSTER AS	CONSULTING SERVICES	45,000.			
SEQUOIA PUBLIC RELAT	CONSULTING SERVICES	3,300.			
TOTAL EDUCATION SOLU	CONSULTING SERVICES	1,455.			
UNIVERSITY OF WASHIN	CONSULTING SERVICES	525.			
COMPUPAY	PAYROLL FEES	1,414.			
REIMBURSEMENTS	CONSULTING SERVICES	-5,261.			
Total		367,374.			

Form 990-PF, Page 2, Part II, Line 10a
L-10a Stmt

Line 10a - Investments - US and State Government Obligations:	End of Year State and Local Obligations Book Value	End of Year State and Local Obligations FMV	End of Year US Government Obligations Book Value	End of Year US Government Obligations FMV
SCHWAB GOVERNEMENT MONEY FUND			281,395.	281,395.
Total			281,395.	281,395.

Form 990-PF, Page 2, Part II, Line 10b
L-10b Stmt

Line 10b - Investments - Corporate Stock:	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
EUROPACIFIC GROWTH FUND - CLASS A	5,454,925.	5,454,925.
STATE STREET S&P 500 CTF	8,779,279.	8,779,279.
STATE STREET S&P MIDCAP INDEX CTF	1,338,818.	1,338,818.
DFA U.S. SMALL CAP VALUE	1,047,672.	1,047,672.
PIMCO TOTAL RETURN FUND	2,108,157.	2,108,157.
ISHARES TR RUSSELL 2000	2,466,284.	2,466,284.
Total	21,195,135.	21,195,135.

Form 990-PF, Page 2, Part II, Line 13
L-13 Stmt

Line 13 - Investments - Other:	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
QUELLOS REAL ASSETS II, LP	676,996.	676,996.
COMMON SENSE OFFSHORE, LTD.	2,794,314.	2,794,314.
PRIVATE ADVISORS STABLE VALUE FUND, LTD.	3,155,551.	3,155,551.
METROPOLITAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS III	1,221,716.	1,221,716.
NORTHGATE PRIVATE EQUITY PARTNERS II	534,781.	534,781.
NORTHGATE VENTURE PARTNERS III	212,125.	212,125.
NEWLIN ENERGY PARTNERS II	304,817.	304,817.
LIQUID REALTY PARTNERS IV	358,518.	358,518.
LIQUID REALTY PARTNERS IV TAX EXEMPT AIV	199,495.	199,495.
COMMONFUND CAPITAL NATURAL RESOURCES PARTNERS VIII, LP	27,500.	27,500.
VENTURE INVEST ASSOCIATES ENERGY, L.P.	44,367.	44,367.
METROPOLITAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS GLOBAL II	109,363.	109,363.
COMMON SENSE LONG-BIASED OFFSHORE, LTD.	2,347,377.	2,347,377.
NORTHGATE IV, L.P.	66,145.	66,145.
SIGULER GUFF AND COMPANY, LLC	447,710.	447,710.
Total	12,500,775.	12,500,775.

.Form 990-PF, Page 2, Part II, Line 14
L-14 Stmt

Line 14b - Description of Land, Buildings, and Equipment	(a) Cost/Other Basis	(b) Accumulated Depreciation	(c) Book Value
FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQUIPMENTS	122,021.	85,825.	36,196.
BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS	5,988,306.	175,525.	5,812,781.
BOND ISSUANCE COSTS	324,279.	10,855.	313,424.
Total	6,434,606.	272,205.	6,162,401.

Form 990-PF, Page 2, Part II, Line 22
Other Liab Stmt

Line 22 - Other Liabilities:	Beginning Year Book Value	Ending Year Book Value
BONDS PAYABLE	6,300,000.	6,300,000.
OBLIGATION DUE TO INTEREST RATE SWAP	0.	2,592,279.
Total	6,300,000.	8,892,279.

Thomas B Fordham Foundation
Grants and Contributions Paid in 2008
2008 Form 990-PF, Page 11, Part XV, 3a

EIN 31-6032844

Date	Recipient Name	Recipient Address	IRS Tax Status	Any Relation to Foundation	Memo	Amount
09/17/2008	Gordon Nora	1228 Fort Stockton Dr San Diego CA 92103	501(c)(3)	Individual	08 Fordham Scholar	6 250 00
09/17/2008	Nadler Daniel	83 Brattle St #604 Cambridge MA 02138	501(c)(3)	Individual	08 Fordham Scholar	6 250 00
08/19/2008	Snyder Jason	1534 E Street, SE Washington, DC 20003	501(c)(3)	Individual	09 Fordham Grant	10 000 00
06/18/2008	Big Brothers Big Sisters - Miami Valley		501(c)(3)	None	Clambake for Kids Sake Grant	2 500 00
09/10/2008	Citizen's for Dayton's Future		501(c)(3)	None	Grant to Support DPS levy	0 00
08/11/2008	Columbus Collegiate Academy		501(c)(3)	None	One time Grant	25 000 00
01/15/2008	Dayton Council on World Affairs	PO Box 9190 WBB Dayton OH 45409	501(c)(3)	None	Purchase of a table for annual meeting	1 000 00
05/06/2008	Dayton Foundation	500 Kettering Tower Dayton, OH 45423	501(c)(3)	None	Grant Support. Partial Funding DPS Poll	10 000 00
09/10/2008	Dayton Literary Peace Prize		501(c)(3)	None	Sponsorship of Dayton Literary Peace Prize	2 500 00
06/19/2008	East End Community School	111 Xenia Ave Dayton, OH 45410	501(c)(3)	None	Return of unused 2007 grant	12 500 00
12/15/2008	Gates Sponsorship Sub-Grants to Organizations	c/o Thomas B Fordham Institute	501(c)(3)	None	Charter Board Governance Sponsorship	2 500 00
08/13/2008	GreatSchools net	301 Howard St Ste 1440 San Francisco CA 94105	501(c)(3)	None	Grant Support	50 000 00
12/16/2008	House of Bread	Bill Evans Executive Director 9 Orth Avenue PO Box 60277	501(c)(3)	None	Gift to House of Bread	4 000 00
12/19/2008	Jesuit Conference		501(c)(3)	None	Building Staff Holiday Gifts	145 00
08/28/2008	KIPP Central Ohio		501(c)(3)	None	KIPP Journey Academy One Time Start Up Grant	25 000 00
05/06/2008	Mind Trust	407 North Fulton Street, Suite 102 Indianapolis, IN 46202	501(c)(3)	None	Grant Support for Midwest Education Talent Network	25 000 00
06/13/2008	NACSA	1125 Duke Street Alexandria VA 22314-3513	501(c)(3)	None	Support for Annual Conference	2 500 00
08/05/2008	NAPCS	Charter Schools 1101 14th St NW Ste 801 Washington DC 20005	501(c)(3)	None	Support Grant	5 000 00
08/13/2008	NAPCS	Charter Schools 1101 14th St NW Ste 801 Washington DC 20005	501(c)(3)	None	Support Grant	5 000 00
05/08/2008	National Council on Teacher Quality	1225 19th St NW Ste 800 Washington DC 20036	501(c)(3)	None	Grant for Increasing the Odds	10 000 00
06/12/2008	Omega School	1821 Emerson Avenue Dayton OH 45406	501(c)(3)	None	Grant Support to close Omega School of Excellence	50 000 00
06/19/2008	Omega School	1821 Emerson Avenue Dayton, OH 45406	501(c)(3)	None	Omega School close out expense assistance	12 500 00
09/30/2008	Parents Advancing Choice in Edu (PACE)	1315 N Main Street Dayton OH 45405	501(c)(3)	None	Grant to support scholarships for needy children	50 000 00
08/05/2008	Philanthropy Roundtable	1150 17th St NW Ste 503 Washington DC 20036	501(c)(3)	None	Support Grant	5 000 00
09/30/2008	Philanthropy Roundtable	1150 17th St NW Ste 503 Washington DC 20036	501(c)(3)	None	Alliance for Charitable Reform 2008 Contribution	5 000 00
02/06/2008	Phillips Exeter Academy	Phillips Exeter Academy 20 Main Street Exeter NH 03833	501(c)(3)	None	Donation in memory of Chester E Finn Sr	25,000 00
01/15/2008	Phoenix Community Learning (Vendor)	7030 Reading Road Suite 350 Cincinnati OH 45237	501(c)(3)	None	Grant for special education project	13 500 00
12/02/2008	Phoenix Community Learning (Vendor)	7030 Reading Road Suite 350 Cincinnati, OH 45237	501(c)(3)	None	Grant to support new building	7 500 00
12/17/2008	S O M E		501(c)(3)	None	So Others Might Eat 2008 Holiday Donation	1 520 00
06/17/2008	School Choice Ohio	21 East State St Ste 900 Columbus OH 43215	501(c)(3)	None	Grant to support programs and operations	15 000 00
12/09/2008	Thomas B Fordham Institute	1016 16th St NW 8th Floor Washington DC 20036	501(c)(3)	None	Charter Board Governance Sponsorship	0 00
12/31/2008	Thomas B Fordham Institute	1016 16th St, NW 8th Floor Washington, DC 20036	501(c)(3)	None	Cost Share - Dec 2008	-72 00
09/11/2008	University of Dayton	300 College Park Dayton OH 45469-0510	501(c)(3)	None	Grant to support DPS Levy	15 000 00
						380,093 00

Form **8868**
(Rev April 2008)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

► File a separate application for each return.

OMB No. 1545-1709

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I** and check this box . . . . . ► [X]
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II** (on page 2 of this form).

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension – check this box and complete Part I only ► [ ]

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICS, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Electronic Filing *(e-file).* Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit *www.irs.gov/efile* and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.*

Type or print

File by the due date for filing your return See instructions

Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION	31-6032844
Number, street, and room or suite number If a P.O. box, see instructions.	
1016 16TH STREET NW, #8TH FLOOR	
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions.	
WASHINGTON DC 20036	

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

[ ] Form 990	[ ] Form 990-T (corporation)	[ ] Form 4720
[ ] Form 990-BL	[ ] Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	[ ] Form 5227
[ ] Form 990-EZ	[ ] Form 990-T (trust other than above)	[ ] Form 6069
[X] Form 990-PF	[ ] Form 1041-A	[ ] Form 8870

- The books are in the care of ► CHESTER E. FINN, JR.

Telephone No. ► (202) 223-5452 FAX No. ► (202) 223-9226

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box . . ► [ ]
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box ► [ ] If it is for part of the group, check this box . ► [ ] and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until Aug 17, 20 09, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

► [X] calendar year 20 08 or

► [ ] tax year beginning _____, 20 ___, and ending _____, 20 ___

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

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits See instructions	**3a**	$ 0.
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit	**3b**	$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions	**3c**	$ 0.

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions

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

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

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

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. You must file original and one copy.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
File by the extended due date for filing the return See instructions	THOMAS B. FORDHAM FOUNDATION	31-6032844
	Number, street, and room or suite number If a P O box, see instructions	For IRS use only
	1016 16TH STREET NW, #8TH FLOOR	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions	
	WASHINGTON DC 20036	

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

[X] Form 990	[ ] Form 990-PF	[ ] Form 1041-A	[ ] Form 6069
[ ] Form 990-BL	[ ] Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	[ ] Form 4720	[ ] Form 8870
[ ] Form 990-EZ	[ ] Form 990-T (trust other than above)	[ ] Form 5227	

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

- The books are in care of ► THE ORGANIZATION
  Telephone No. ► _____ FAX No. ► (202) 223-9226
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box . ► [ ]
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ . If this is for the whole group, check this box ► [ ] If it is for part of the group, check this box ► [ ] and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until Nov 16 , 20 09.

5 For calendar year 2008 , or other tax year beginning _____ , 20 __ , and ending _____ , 20 __ .

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

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

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits See instructions	**8a**	$ 0.
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868	**8b**	$ 0.
c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instrs	**8c**	$ 0.

Signature and Verification

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

Signature ► [signature] Title ► CPA Date ► 8/5/09