From: Holland Larry
To: Preston Christie A
Subject: My Comments in regard to IRS Form 990
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Dear Ms. Preston (IRS):
Below is my position concerning the IRS favoring any organization that claims to be religious over non-profit organizations that are be secular.

Logically and legally all non-profit organizations should to be treated the same, regardless of whether they espouse a religious position or a non-religious position. The IRS currently singles out churches for privileged treatment by exempting them from the disclosure requirements all other 501(c)(3) organizations must comply with, or lose their exemption. Taxpayers, who are subsidizing tax-exempt groups, have a right to know what entities are exempt from taxation and to review general financial disclosures. The privilege of not being taxed must come with some measures of accountability.
Please make churches conform to the same IRS requirements as all other 501(c)(3) groups. At a minimum, the IRS should require any organizations that claim to be religious organizations, to file an annual notice with the IRS that they are claiming tax exemption.

It is only right that IRS oversight of 501(c)(3) organizations be equally enforced against religious organizations.

Thank you and I hope this can be rectified.
Sincerely,
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