Financial Statements And Single Audit Reports As Of September 30, 2022 (With Summarized Financial Information As Of September 30, 2021)

Together With Independent Auditors' Report







INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Disability Law Colorado:

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Center for Legal Advocacy, dba Disability Law Colorado (the "Organization"), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as of September 30, 2022, and the changes in net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate to those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

<u>Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)</u>

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Reporting on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Organization's September 30, 2021 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated June 28, 2022. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

JDS Professional Group

June 21, 2023

Statement Of Financial Position
As Of September 30, 2022
(With Summarized Financial Information As Of September 30, 2021)

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ASSETS		
	2022	2 2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 142,221	\$ 271,025
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$2,000		83
Government grants receivable	293,936	5 206,672
Publication inventory	20,427	28,710
Prepaid expenses	37,472	2 32,637
Investments	478,134	531,398
Property and equipment, net		2,648
Total Assets	\$ 972,190	\$ 1,073,173
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 37,127	\$ 66,126
Accrued payroll costs	134,023	157,948
Refundable advances	11,569	45,601
Capital lease obligations		3,093
Total Liabilities	182,719	272,768
Net Assets:		
Without donor restrictions	319,534	257,204
With donor restrictions	469,937	543,201
Total Net Assets	789,471	800,405
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 972,190	\$ 1,073,173

Statement Of Activities
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	V	Vithout Donor		With Donor	2022	2021
		Restrictions		Restrictions	Total_	 Total_
Support And Revenue:						
Government grants	\$	2,913,660	\$		\$ 2,913,660	\$ 2,906,185
Contributions		160,214		20,000	180,214	119,036
Publications, net of						
cost of goods sold of \$12,772		30,970			30,970	53,931
Workshops and client fees		70,461			70,461	6,300
Other income		571			571	4,765
Investment income, net				(7,655)	(7,655)	14,044
Change in value of perpetual trust				(45,609)	(45,609)	61,786
Net assets released from restrictions:						
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions		40,000		(40,000)		
Total Support And Revenue		3,215,876		(73,264)	3,142,612	 3,166,047
Expenses:						
Program Services -						
Developmental Disabilities (PADD)		533,509			533,509	438,211
Mental Illness (PAIMI)		330,928			330,928	369,660
Older Americans		784,870			784,870	611,856
Individual Rights (PAIR)		183,783			183,783	244,389
Client Assistance Program		188,390			188,390	208,845
Other programs		713,959			713,959	783,070
Total Program Services		2,735,439			2,735,439	2,656,031
Supporting Services -						
Management and general		293,393			293,393	332,474
Fundraising		124,714			124,714	74,244
Total Supporting Services		418,107			418,107	 406,718
Total Expenses		3,153,546			3,153,546	3,062,749
Changes in net assets from operations		62,330		(73,264)	(10,934)	103,298
Net Assets, Beginning Of Year		257,204		543,201	800,405	 697,107
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$	319,534	<u>\$</u>	469,937	\$ 789,471	\$ 800,405

Statement Of Functional Expenses
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			Pr	rogram Services				Supporting	g Services		
	Developmenta Disabilities (PADD)	Mental Illness (PAIMI)	Older Americans	Individual Rights (PAIR)	Client Assistance Program	Other Programs	Total Program Services	Management and General	Fundraising	2022 Total	2021 Total
Salaries Payroll taxes and benefits Facilities Professional, contract services Dues and subscriptions Staff and board development Travel Supplies Telephone Postage and printing Equipment Repair and maintenance Insurance Outreach and training	\$ 318,080 76,455 45,829 27,900 11,799 4,185 3,799 2,580 6,333 344 5,544 6,819 3,609	47,477 23,103 18,950 5,525 2,817 2,710 1,442 2,977 1,974 1,942 3,159 2,033	\$ 359,703 69,591 8,781 73,894 3,232 721 21,568 14,071 7,600 2,595 12,733 5,904 3,710 182,475	\$ 112,992 26,351 13,648 9,810 3,696 3,700 146 899 1,758 203 1,193 1,651 1,125	\$ 121,198 26,818 12,841 9,483 2,591 1,494 67 857 2,029 114 1,299 2,019 1,359	\$ 451,622 87,706 43,026 36,517 6,543 14,107 9,969 3,470 10,318 1,992 4,759 7,216 5,149 7,070	\$ 1,566,691 334,396 147,228 176,560 33,378 27,024 38,257 23,319 31,015 7,221 27,470 26,768 16,981 191,174	\$ 173,945 31,611 32,065 17,204 2,704 204 310 4,691 5,821 300 1,421 3,933 1,424 27	\$ 61,430 18,915 8,781 12,977 843 128 59 3,149 937 852 530 704 645 8,013	\$ 1,802,066 384,922 188,074 206,741 36,925 27,356 38,626 31,159 37,773 8,373 29,421 31,405 19,050 199,214	\$ 1,832,418 420,156 250,753 177,088 63,522 17,526 48,332 21,761 33,700 19,843 16,044 37,119 16,463 40,776
Recruiting Meetings File storage Bank and finance charges	12,54! 354 3,638 4.	8,848 4 240 3 2,071 3 35	14,594 235 226 25	4,131 1,251 16	3,966 1,081 16	14,999 4,064 101	59,087 829 12,331 236	12,065 111 2,977	2,662 45 3,512	73,814 829 12,487 6,725	13,672 14,097 11,660 7,411
Accomodation services All other Depreciation	533,042 46' \$ 533,50	1,079 2 330,630 7 298	148 2,535 784,341 529 \$ 784,870	139 882 183,617 166 \$ 183,783	75 869 188,212 178 \$ 188,390	759 3,908 713,295 664 \$ 713,959	2,033 11,139 2,733,137 2,302 \$2,735,439	102 2,222 293,137 256 \$ 293,393	361 81 124,624 90 \$ 124,714	2,496 13,442 3,150,898 2,648 \$ 3,153,546	2,903 6,911 3,052,155 10,594 \$ 3,062,749

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Statement Of Cash Flows

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	2022	2021
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Changes in net assets from operations	\$ (10,934)	\$ 103,298
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets		
to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	2,648	10,594
(Gain) loss on investments	69,891	(63,729)
Changes in assets and liabilities -		
Decrease in accounts receivable	83	4,531
(Increase) in government grants receivable	(87,264)	(22,588)
(Increase) in prepaid expenses	(4,835)	(10,121)
Decrease in publication inventory	8,283	13,834
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(28,999)	39,938
(Decrease) in refundable advances	(34,032)	(48,808)
Increase (decrease) in accrued payroll costs	(23,925)	22,078
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(109,084)	
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of investments	(18,553)	(16,625)
Sales of investments	1,926	24,523
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(16,627)	7,898
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from line-of-credit	100,000	140,000
Payments on line-of-credit	(100,000)	(140,000)
Payments on capital lease obligation	(3,093)	(11,602)
Net cash (used in) financing activities	(3,093)	(11,602)
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(128,804)	45,323
Cash And Cash Equivalents, Beginning Of Year	271,025	225,702
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 142,221	\$ 271,025
Supplemental Cash Flow		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 1,006	\$ 5,808
F 11-12 Care Contracts		:

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(1) Nature Of Activities

The mission of the Center for Legal Advocacy, dba Disability Law Colorado, a Colorado nonprofit corporation (the "Organization"), is to protect and promote the rights of people with disabilities and older people in Colorado through direct legal representation, advocacy, education and legislative analysis. The Organization provides legal assistance to persons with disabilities and their advocates, including parents or guardians where: 1) the disability is central to rather than incidental to the legal dispute; 2) special knowledge of the disabling condition is required; 3) special knowledge of the applicable law is required that is not generally available in the generic legal system. The Organization is supported primarily through government support and private contributions.

The Organization operates the following major programs:

- Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (PADD) -This program was created to protect and advocate for the rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities within the State who are or who may be eligible for treatment or services, or who are being considered for a change in living arrangements. This program has the authority to investigate incidents of abuse and neglect if the incidents are reported to the system or if there is probable cause to believe that the incident occurred.
- Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI) This program is mandated to investigate cases of abuse and neglect of individuals with mental illness and to insure the provision of their legal rights. In order to focus on those people most at risk of experiencing abuse, neglect and rights violations, the statute prioritizes eligibility to those people living in 24-hour treatment facilities.
- Older Americans The purpose of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program is to investigate complaints of residents of long-term care facilities (including nursing homes and assisted living residences) of their family members regarding care, treatment or rights violations. The Legal Assistance Developer provides leadership for improving the quality and quantity of legal and advocacy assistance to ensure a comprehensive elder rights system. This includes developing, monitoring, evaluating and coordinating available legal services for older persons statewide. The developer also provides technical assistance to the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman program on issues of drafting legislation and interpretation of current laws as well as training. Finally, Older Americans also includes the Program For All Inclusive Care For The Elderly (PACE).
- Protection and Advocacy for Individual Rights (PAIR) This program was created to protect the rights of people with disabilities who are ineligible for services from the protection and advocacy programs for people with mental illness or developmental disabilities or ineligible for services from the Client Assistant Program. The federal statute specifically charges this program with helping to implement the Fair Housing Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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- Client Assistance Program (CAP) This program provides information on the available services and benefits under the Rehabilitation Act and Title 1 of the Americans with Disabilities Act to people with disabilities in Colorado, especially those who have been unserved or under served by vocational rehabilitation programs. Upon the request of clients and client applications for services under the Rehabilitation Act, CAP will assist and advocate for them in their relationships with projects and programs. CAP may also provide assistance and advocacy with respect to services that are directly related to the employment of the individual.
- Other Programs Other Programs include Voting Protection and Advocacy, Assistive Technology, Traumatic Brain Injury, Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security, Protection and Advocacy for Strengthening Protection for Social Security Beneficiaries, and Publications.

(2) Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis Of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis Of Presentation

The Organization reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets that are based upon the existence or absence of restrictions on use that are placed by its donors: net assets without donor restrictions and with donor restrictions as follows:

Net assets without donor restrictions: Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions.

Net assets with donor restrictions: Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Organization considers all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents, except for cash and cash equivalents subject to investment management direction.

Government, Contract and Accounts Receivables

The Organization states government contract and accounts receivables at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a provision for bad debt expense and an adjustment to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts. Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to accounts receivable. Changes in the valuation allowance have not been material to the financial statements.

Capitalization and Depreciation

The Organization follows the practice of capitalizing all expenditures for land, buildings and equipment of \$5,000 or more. The fair value of donated assets is similarly capitalized. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of between 3 and 5 years of the assets. Amortization of capital leases is included in depreciation expense.

Publications Inventory

Publications inventory consists of book and other publications valued at the lower of cost of market. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out method.

Fair Value Measurements

The Organization follows fair value measurements which among other things requires enhanced disclosures about investments that are measured and reported at fair value and establishes a framework for measuring fair value. The framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under the standard are described below:

Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Organization has the ability to access.

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Equities: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Exchange traded funds and mutual funds: The fair value of funds is based on quoted net asset values of the shares as reported by the fund. The funds held by the Organization are open-end funds registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The funds must publish their daily net asset value and transact at their price. The funds held by the Organization are considered to be actively traded.

Life insurance policy: The fair value is based upon the cash surrender value, which is the cash amount that would be offered to the Organization by the issuing life carrier upon cancellation of the contract. Management believes that the sensitivity in the fair value measurement of the life insurance is related to market fluctuations, as the investments held in the life insurance are primarily marketable securities.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Organization believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

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In general, investments are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of the investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the investment balances and the amounts reported in the statements of financial position.

The carrying amount reported in the statement of financial position for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, government grants receivable, accounts payable, and accrued payroll costs approximate fair value because of the immediate or short-term maturities of these financial instruments.

Compensated Absences

The Organization accrues for the costs of compensated absences to the extent that the employee's right to receive payment relates to service already rendered, the obligation vests or accumulates, payment is probable, and the amount can be reasonably estimated. The Organization accrues for annual leave and sick leave, but not personal leave, as such amount cannot be reasonably estimated.

Measure of Operations

The statement of activities reports all changes in net assets, including changes in net assets from operating and non operating activities. Operating activities consists of those items attributable to the Organization's ongoing program services and investment earnings. Nonoperating activities are limited to activities considered to be of a more unusual or nonrecurring nature.

Revenue And Revenue Recognition

The Organization recognizes contributions when cash, securities or other assets, or an unconditional promise to give is received. Unconditional promises to give are recorded at net realizable value if expected to be collected in one year and at net present value if expected to be collected in more than one year. As of September 30, 2022, the Organization did not have any promises to give. Conditional promises to give with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return/right or release are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met. As of September 30, 2022, the Organization received \$403,689 in advances on conditional promises to give, in which a portion had not been spent by year end. Accordingly, \$11,569 is reflected as a refundable advance.

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Contributions received are recorded as net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions, depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions. Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in net assets without donor restrictions if the restriction expires in the reporting period in which the support is recognized. All other donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as changes in net assets with donor restrictions.

A portion of the Organization's revenue is derived from cost-reimbursable federal government grants, which are conditioned upon certain performance requirements and/or the incurrence of allowable qualifying expenses. Amounts received are recognized as revenue when the Organization has incurred expenditures in compliance with specific contract or grant provisions. Amounts received prior to incurring qualifying expenditures are reported as refundable advances in the statement of financial position. The Organization was awarded cost-reimbursable grants of \$1,328,473 that have not been recognized at September 30, 2022, because qualifying expenditures have not yet been incurred.

Workshops and client fees are recognized when a workshop is held or client service performed. The performance obligation consists of delivering the goods or services to the customer. Revenue is recognized as the services are met. The performance obligation consists of delivering the services to the customer and are satisfied as work is performed or deliverables are met, over time. Payments are due to the Organization either upon receipt or within 30 days once invoiced for satisfied performance obligations (depending on the terms of the contract). Transaction prices for each deliverable are written in the contracts. Payments received prior to performance obligations being met are reflected in deferred revenue.

Methods Used for Allocation of Expenses from Management and General Activities

The cost of providing program and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefitted. Such allocations are determined by management on an equitable basis based on time and effort. Allocated expenses include salaries, payroll tax and benefits, telephone, postage and printing, repair and maintenance, and insurance, depreciation, meetings, accommodation services.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 21, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be distributed.

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(3) <u>Tax Exempt Status</u>

The Organization is a not-for-profit corporation exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. It has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation under Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, donors are entitled to a charitable deduction for their contribution to the Organization.

The Organization follows Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes accounting standard which requires the Organization to determine whether a tax position (and the related tax benefit) is more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by the applicable taxing authority, based solely on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefit to be recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than fifty percent likely of being realized upon settlement, presuming the tax position is examined by the appropriate taxing authority that has knowledge of all relevant information. During the year ended September 30, 2022, the Organization's management evaluated its tax positions to determine the existence of uncertainties, and did not note any matters that would require recognition or which may have an affect on it tax-exempt status.

The Organization is no longer subject to U.S. federal tax audits on its Form 990 by taxing authorities for fiscal years ending prior to September 30, 2019. The years subsequent to these years contain matters that could be subject to differing interpretations of applicable tax laws and regulations as it relates to the amount and/or timing of income, deductions, and tax credits. Although the outcome of tax audits is uncertain, the Organization believes no issues would arise.

(4) <u>Investments And Concentration Of Credit Risks</u>

The following table presents assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis, as of September 30, 2022:

	Level 1	Level 2	L	evel 3	Total
Life insurance policy	\$	\$	\$	8,197	\$ 8,197
Equities	113,944				113,944
Exchange traded funds -					
Mid cap dividend funds	5,651				5,651
Small cap value funds	5,189				5,189
Small cap dividend funds	5,148				5,148
Select dividends	27,875				27,875
Emerging market funds	19,199				19,199
Bond funds	142,410				142,410
Foreign large value	12,154				12,154
Large blend funds	48,387				48,387
Power shares preferred	46,748				46,748
Total at fair value	\$ 426,705	\$	\$	8,197	\$ 434,902
Cash and cash equivalents					43,232
					\$478,134

Following is the reconciliation of Level 3 investments as of September 30, 2022:

Beginning Balance	\$ 8,197
Change in value of life insurance policy	
Ending Balance	\$ 8,197

The Organization's cash demand deposits are held at financial institutions at which deposits are insured up to \$250,000 by the FDIC. As of September 30, 2022, the Organization's cash demand deposits exceeded the FDIC insurance limit by \$121,720.

The Organization received approximately 39% of its total revenue from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services during the year ended September 30, 2022.

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(5) **Publication Inventory**

Publication inventory consisted of the following as of September 30, 2022:

Residents' Rights products	\$ 6,903
Booklets and manuals	13,524
	\$ 20,427

(6) **Endowment**

On September 18, 2002, the Organization and representatives of the Estate of Alexander R. Aitken entered into an agreement to create the Alexander R. Aitken Trust permanently restricted endowment and the Fellow Travelers Fund. Under the agreement, earnings are defined as interest and dividends and do not include depreciation or appreciation. Additionally, capital gains will not be considered income, but will reinvested in the endowment. Annually, not more than 70% of the earnings of the fund held in perpetuity may be transferred to the Fellow Travelers Fund which is classified as net assets with donor restrictions. Such funds are restricted for legal problems for persons with a mental disability that is organically or otherwise caused.

Changes in Endowment Net Assets

Changes in donor restricted endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2022, are as follows:

	Net Assets With Donor Restrictions
Endowment net assets, beginning of year Net investment return (loss)	\$ 523,201 (45,609)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ 477,592

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(7) **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment consisted of the following as of September 30, 2022:

Furniture and equipment	\$ 150,340
Capital leases	35,312
Leasehold improvements	14,265
Total	 199,917
Less: accumulated depreciation	(199,917)
Net property and equipment	\$ 0

Depreciation expense amounted to \$2,648 during the year ended September 30, 2022.

(8) Line of Credit

As of September 30, 2022, there was no balance owed on a \$300,000 line-of-credit with a financial institution. Interest accrued on outstanding balances are based on the published Wall Street Journal Prime Rate, which as of September 30, 2022, was 6.25%, plus 1.00% percentage point above the index, not less than 4.00% per annum. In the case of default on the note, the creditor holds the right of offset against other accounts currently held at the financial institution. The line of credit is secured by receivables, cash, inventory and other assets.

(9) <u>Capital Lease Obligations</u>

The Organization has a photocopier under a capital leasing arrangement. Payments are due in monthly installments of principal and interest of \$1,049 through December 2022, secured by equipment. The lease was fully paid during the year ended September 30, 2022 and fixed assets capitalized under the lease were fully depreciated.

(10) Lease Commitments

The Organization leases office space in Denver and Grand Junction, Colorado. The future minimum lease payments are as follows as of September 30:

2023	\$ 95,551
2024	 24,933
Total	\$ 120,484

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(11) Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions as of September 30, 2022, are available for the following:

Subject to spending policy and appropriation:

Investment in perpetual trust	361,928
Support legal services for persons with a mental disability	108,009
Total	\$ 469,937

(12) <u>Liquidity And Availability Of Financial Assets</u>

The Organization's financial assets available within one year of the statement of financial position date for general expenditure are as follows as of September 30, 2022:

Financial assets, at year end	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 142,221
Receivables	293,936
Investments	478,134
Total financial assets	914,291
Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year, due to:	
Contractual or donor-imposed restrictions:	
Donor restricted endowment to be held in perpetuity	(469,937)
Endowment earning not expected to be spent in the next year	(108,009)
Life insurance investment	(8,197)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for	
general expenditures within one year	\$ 328,148

As part of the Organization's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. The Organization also has a \$300,000 line of credit available for cash flow if needed.

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(13) Pension Plan

The Organization has a defined contribution plan covering all employees with at least one year of service. The Organization makes contributions of two percent to nine percent based on years of service. In addition, the Organization will match 50 percent of the employees' contribution provided the employee elects to contribute at least 2 percent of their salary. The maximum match an employee can receive is 3 percent of their annual salary, while the maximum contribution the Organization will make for an individual employee can be 12 percent of an individual's salary. Pension expense amounted to \$81,561 during the year ended September 30, 2022.

(14) New Accounting Pronouncements

In March of 2018, FASB issued ASU No. 2018-20, *Leases*, which requires the Organization to recognize all leased assets as right-of-use assets on the statement of financial position with a corresponding liability resulting in a gross up of the statement of financial position. Entities will also be required to present additional disclosures as to the nature and extent of leasing activities. The requirements of this statement are effective for the Organization's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023. The Organization has not evaluated the impact due to the timing of implementation of this standard.

Supplementary Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal Awards For The Year Ended September 30, 2022

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Federal Grantor and Program Title	Assistance Listing Number	Identifying Number	Program Award Amount	Federal Expenditures
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Developmental Disabilities Basic Support and Advocacy Grants ** 2021 Aw 2022 Aw		2101COPADD 2201COPADD	\$ 547,358 613,364 1,160,722	\$ 191,170 372,167 563,337
Developmental Disabilities Basic Support and Advocacy Grants ** COVID-19 - Expanding Disabilities Network's Access to COVID-19 Vaccines	93.630		1,100,722	303,337
2021 Aw		2101COPAC5	61,777	38,544
Developmental Disabilities Basic Support and Advocacy Grants **	aru	2101COI NCS	01,777	30,344
Expanding Public Health Workforce	93.630			
2022 Aw	ard ard	2201COPAPH	114,000	
Total Developmental Disabilities Basic Support and Advocacy Gr	rants		1,336,499	601,881
Voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities - Grants for Protection and Advocacy Systems	93.618			
2021 Aw		2101COPAVA	112,313	49,344
2022 Aw		2201COPAVA	119,365	40,282
			231,678	89,626
ACL Assistive Technology State Grants for Protection and Advocac	•	0101CODA A.T.	69.520	47.106
2021 Aw 2022 Aw		2101COPAAT 2201COPAAT	68,530	47,106
2022 AW	aiu	2201COPAA1	73,036	28,911 76,017
			111,500	, 0, 01 /
P&A for Traumatic Brain Injury				
State Grants for Protection and Advocacy Services	93.873			
2021 Aw		2101COPATB	62,214	36,224
2022 Aw	ard	2201COPATB	65,262	50,252
			127,476	86,476
Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness	93.138			
2021 Aw		X98SM083861	451,860	74,124
2022 Aw	ard	X98SM085947	477,348	284,107
			929,208	358,231
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Human Services Aging Cluster - Special Programs for the Aging - Title III, Part B -				
Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers	93.044			
2022 Aw		CMS 22 IHEA 169049	120,000	63,928
2023 Aw	ard	CMS 23 IHEA 177786	120,000	-
			240,000	63,928

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Supplementary Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal Awards For The Year Ended September 30, 2022

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Federal Grantor and Program Title	Assistance Listing Number	Identifying Number	Program Award Amount	Federal Expenditures
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services (Continued)				
Special Programs for the Aging - Title III, Part B -	***************************************			
Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers COVID-19 - Colorado CARES Act Title III, Part B	93.044	COVID-19		
2021 A		2001COSSC3	113,333	46,295
Total Special Programs for the Aging - Title III, Part B			353,333	110,223
Special Programs for the Aging - Title VII, Chapter 3 -				
Programs for Prevention of Elder Abuse, Neglect, and Exploit 2023 A		CMS 23 IHEA 177786	20,000	
Special Programs for the Aging - Title VII, Chapter 2 -				
Long-Term Care Ombudsman Services for Older Individuals 2022 A	93.042	CMS 22 IHEA 169049	30,000	30,000
2022 A 2023 A		CMS 23 IHEA 177786	30,000	50,000
			60,000	30,000
Special Programs for the Aging - Title VII, Chapter 2 - Long-Term Care Ombudsman Services for Older Individuals	02.042	COMP 10		
COVID-19 - Colorado CARES Act Title VII, Ombudsman 2021 A	93.042 ward	COVID-19 2001COOMC3	30,000	30,000
Total Aging C		200100011100	463,333	30,000
Elder Abuse Prevention Interventions Program				
COVID-19 - Colorado CARES Act Title VII, CRRSA Act	93.042	COVID-19	50.100	50.100
2021 A	ward	2101COLOC5	58,129	58,129
Total Special Programs for the Aging - Title VII, Chapter 2			581,462	118,129
Total U. S. Department of Health and Human Services			3,287,889	1,440,583
U. S. Department of Education				
Rehabilitation Services Client Assistance Program	84.161			
2021 A		H161A210005	\$ 191,206	\$ 23,582
2022 A	ward	H161A220005	192,139 383,345	186,675 210,257
Program of Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights	84.240			
2022 A		H240A220006	279,752	174,101
			279,752	174,101
Total U. S. Department of Education			663,097	384,358

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Supplementary Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal Awards For The Year Ended September 30, 2022

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	Assistance		Program	
	Listing		Award	Federal
Federal Grantor and Program Title	Number	Identifying Number	Amount	Expenditures
U. S. Social Security Administration				
Social Security State Grants for Work Incentives				
Assistance to Disabled Beneficiaries	96.009			
2021 Award		PAB 19020384-01-02	100,000	26,316
2022 Award		PAB 19020384-01-04	144,776	97,263
2022/23 Award		SPS 18000011-05	296,170	57,925
2021/22 Award		SPS 18000011-04	280,659	264,678
Total U. S. Social Security Administration			821,605	446,182
Total Federal Expenditures			\$4,772,591	\$2,271,123

^{**} Major Program

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Notes To Supplementary Schedule of Expenditures Of Federal Awards For The Year Ended September 30, 2022

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(1) Method Of Accounting

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards has been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance and also presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards for all new federal awards received on or after December 26, 2014, and for funding increments (additional funding on existing awards) with modified terms and conditions that are awarded on or after that date. Because the schedule of expenditures of federal awards presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Organization, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Organization.

The Organization has elected not to use a de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance. The Organization utilizes a federally-approved indirect cost rate approved by its cognizant agency.





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors of Disability Law Colorado:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Center for Legal Advocacy, dba Disability Law Colorado (the "Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Organization's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 21, 2023.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting.

A *deficiency* in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

Compliance And Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

JDS Professional Group

June 21, 2023





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Board of Directors of Disability Law Colorado:

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Center for Legal Advocacy, dba Disability Law Colorado's (the "Organization") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Organization's major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2022. The Organization's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Organization complied, in all material respects with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Organization's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Organization's federal programs.

<u>Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)</u>

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Organization's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Organization's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Organization's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Organization's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

JDS Professional Group

June 21, 2023

Section I - Summary Of Auditors' Results		
Financial Statements		
Type of auditors' report: unmodified		
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes	X no
Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?	yes	X none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes	X no
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes	X no
Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)?	yes	X none reported
Γype of auditors' report issued on compliance	for major prog	grams: unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance 2 CFR §200.516(a)?	yes	<u>X</u> no

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Identification of major program	s:			
Assistance Listing No. 93.630		of Health	am Title and Human Services abilities Basic Support and Advoc	acy Grants
Dollar threshold used to disting between type A and type B prog		750,000		
Auditee qualified as low-risk au	nditee?	X yes	no	
Section II - Financial Statement	Findings			
None.				
Section III - Federal Award Fin	dings And Question	ned Costs		
None.				

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None.