

# FEC FORM 1

# STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

Office Use Only

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full)  (Check if name is changed) Example: If typing, type over the lines. 12FE4M5

The Bench

ADDRESS (number and street) PO Box 15845  
 (Check if address is changed)  
Washington DC 20003  
CITY ▲ STATE ▲ ZIP CODE ▲

COMMITTEE'S E-MAIL ADDRESS  
 (Check if address is changed) thebench@mbacg.com  
Optional Second E-Mail Address  
smele@mbacg.com

COMMITTEE'S WEB PAGE ADDRESS (URL)  
 (Check if address is changed) thebench.org

2. DATE 03 / 24 / 2026

3. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER C C00845271

4. IS THIS STATEMENT  NEW (N) OR  AMENDED (A)

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer Koob, Christopher, , ,

Signature of Treasurer Koob, Christopher, , , Date 03 / 24 / 2026

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 52 U.S.C. §30109. ANY CHANGE IN INFORMATION SHOULD BE REPORTED WITHIN 10 DAYS.

5. TYPE OF COMMITTEE:

**Candidate Committee:**

- (a)  This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
- (b)  This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Party Affiliation  Office Sought:  House  Senate  President State  District

- (c)  This committee supports/opposes only one candidate, and is NOT an authorized committee.

Name of Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

**Party Committee:**

- (d)  This committee is a  (National, State or subordinate) committee of the  (Democratic, Republican, etc.) Party

**Political Action Committee (PAC):**

- (e)  This committee is a separate segregated fund. (Identify connected organization on line 6.) Its connected organization is a:

Corporation  Corporation w/o Capital Stock  Labor Organization

Membership Organization  Trade Association  Cooperative

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.

- (f)  This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate, and is NOT a separate segregated fund or party committee. (i.e., nonconnected committee)

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.

In addition, this committee is a Leadership PAC. (Identify sponsor on line 6.)

- (g)  This committee is an independent expenditure-only political committee (Super PAC).

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.

- (h)  This committee is a political committee with both contribution and non-contribution accounts (Hybrid PAC).

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.

**Joint Fundraising Representative:**

- (i)  This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, at least one of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.
- (j)  This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, none of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.

Committees Participating in Joint Fundraiser

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

C \_\_\_\_\_

C \_\_\_\_\_

Write or Type Committee Name

# The Bench

6. Name of Any Connected Organization, Affiliated Committee, Joint Fundraising Representative, or Leadership PAC Sponsor

Majority Fund

Mailing Address

611 Pennsylvania Ave SE

Ste 143

Washington

DC

20003

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

Relationship:  Connected Organization  Affiliated Organization  Joint Fundraising Representative  Leadership PAC Sponsor

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number -- optional) and position of the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name

Koob, Christopher, , ,

Mailing Address

PO Box 15845

Washington

DC

20003

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

Title or Position ▼

Treasurer

Telephone number

202

552

0221

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number -- optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name of Treasurer

Koob, Christopher, , ,

Mailing Address

PO Box 15845

Washington

DC

20003

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

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Title or Position ▼

Treasurer

Telephone number

202

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Full Name of Designated Agent

Mele, Steven, , ,

Mailing Address

PO Box 15845

Washington

DC

20003

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Title or Position ▼

Assistant Treasurer

Telephone number

202

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9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

Amalgamated Bank

Mailing Address

1825 K St NW

Washington

DC

20006

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

Mailing Address

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

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Mailing Address

Relationship: CITY ▲ STATE ▲ ZIP CODE ▲

Connected Organization  Affiliated Committee  Joint Fundraising Representative  Leadership PAC Sponsor

8. **Designated Agent:** Identify by name, address (phone number – optional)

Full Name

Mailing Address

TITLE OR POSITION ▼ CITY ▲ STATE ▲ ZIP CODE ▲

Telephone Number  -  -

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