

Trending Topics

Religion & Politics

PROTECTING
THE GREATER
GOOD.



In an election year, religion and politics are often part of the same conversation. As a leader in your ministry, make sure you know what to say and do to protect yourself, your congregation and your nonprofit status. Learn from an expert in our latest webinar: Religion and Politics.

DISCOVER ANSWERS TO DIFFICULT QUESTIONS

The informational one-hour program explains how to handle sensitive political discussions, protect your group from potential liabilities and respond to hot-button issues as Election Day draws near.

Some of the important topics you'll learn about include:

- Political Activity vs. Issue Advocacy
- Limits of the First Amendment
- Corporate Action vs. Personal Involvement
- Dos and Don'ts of the Internal Revenue Code



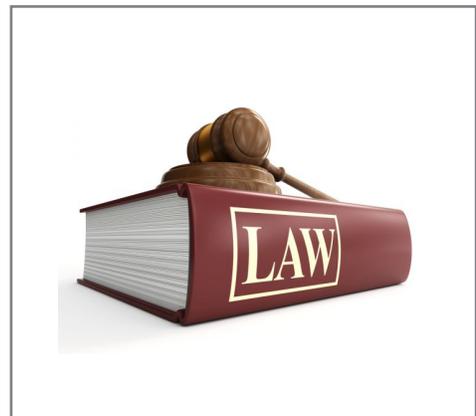
HEAR FROM A NATIONALLY
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Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3)

Entity is exempt from taxation if "no substantial part of the activities [] is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation . . . AND which does not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for the public office."



POSITIVE POLITICAL ACTION

Can Include:

- Voter registration
- Candidate forums
- Candidate questionnaires
- Position papers and member education
- Visits by elected officials



KEY RESOURCES

- IRS Publication 1828 "Tax Guide for Churches and Religious Organizations" (www.irs.gov)
- Legal reviews from your network providers (churches under Group Rulings or from other associations)
- Expert advice – facts and circumstances vary widely
- IRS "After Action" reports



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