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Person to Contact:

Sharon LeNard ID # 31-07756

Toll Free Telephone Number:

877-829-5500

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of April 17, 2006, regarding the tax-exempt status of Society of Systematic Biologists.

Our records indicate that a determination letter was issued in December 1951 granting this organization exemption from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records also indicate this organization is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because it is an organization described in section 509(a)(2).

Donors may deduct contributions to this organization as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to the organization or for its use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,

Cinďý Westcott

Manager, Exempt Organizations

Determinations

Internal Revenue Service

Date: January 24, 2006

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Person to Contact:

Ms Jackson 31-07417 Customer Srv. Representative

Toll Free Telephone Number:

877-829-5500

Federal Identification Number:

52-6041714

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of January 24, 2006, regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

In December 1951 we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under section 509(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,

Janna K. Skufen

Janna K. Skufca, Director, TE/GE Customer Account Services

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District Director Baltimore District

P.O. Box 13163, Room 817 Baltimore, MD 21203

Date: November 1, 1994

SOCIETY OF SYSTEMATIC BIOLOGISTS Museum of Natural History NHB 163 Washington, DC 20560

Employer Identification Number: 52-6041714

31 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, Md. 21201

Person to Contact: EP/BO Tax Examiner

Telephone Number: (410) 962-6058

-Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to your inquiry dated September 28, 1994, requesting a copy of the letter which granted tax exempt status to the above named organization.

Our records show that the organization was granted exemption from Federal Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code effective December 1951. We have also determined that the organization is not a private foundation because it is described in section 509(a)(2).

Donors may deduct contributions to you under section 170 of the Code.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

You are required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

A copy of our letter certifying the status of the organization is not available, however, this letter may be used to verify your tax-exempt status.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status, it should be kept in your permanent records.

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