

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

Report Required by the Ethics
in Government Act of 1978
(5 U.S.C. app. §§ 101-111)

1. Person Reporting (last name, first, middle initial) Ripple, Kenneth F.	2. Court or Organization Court of Appeals - 7th Circuit	3. Date of Report 08/22/2018
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) United States Circuit Judge - Senior	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) ☐ Nomination ☐ Date ☐ Initial ☒ Annual ☐ Final 5b. ☒ Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 01/01/2017 to 12/31/2017
7. Chambers or Office Address United States Courthouse 204 South Main St., Room 208 South Bend, IN 46601-2122		
IMPORTANT NOTES: The instructions accompanying this form must be followed. Complete all parts, checking the NONE box for each part where you have no reportable information.		

I. POSITIONS. (Reporting individual only; see pp. 9-13 of filing instructions.)

☐ NONE (No reportable positions.)

POSITION

NAME OF ORGANIZATION/ENTITY

1. See Section VIII, Part I	
2. See Section VIII, Part I	
3. See Section VIII, Part I	
4. See Section VIII, Part I	
5.	

II. AGREEMENTS. (Reporting individual only; see pp. 14-16 of filing instructions.)

☐ NONE (No reportable agreements.)

DATE

PARTIES AND TERMS

1. 2017	See Section VIII, Part II
2. 2017	See Section VIII, Part II
3.	

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III. NON-INVESTMENT INCOME. *(Reporting individual and spouse; see pp. 17-24 of filing instructions.)***A. Filer's Non-Investment Income**☐ NONE *(No reportable non-investment income.)*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>	<u>INCOME</u> (yours, not spouse's)
1. 2017	Part-time teaching - University of Notre Dame	\$27,387.90
2.		
3.		
4.		

B. Spouse's Non-Investment Income - *If you were married during any portion of the reporting year, complete this section.**(Dollar amount not required except for honoraria.)*☒ NONE *(No reportable non-investment income.)*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

IV. REIMBURSEMENTS *-- transportation, lodging, food, entertainment.**(Includes those to spouse and dependent children; see pp. 25-27 of filing instructions.)*☐ NONE *(No reportable reimbursements.)*

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>ITEMS PAID OR PROVIDED</u>
1. See Section VIII, Part IV				
2. See Section VIII, Part IV				
3.				
4.				
5.				

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V. GIFTS. *(Includes those to spouse and dependent children; see pp. 28-31 of filing instructions.)*☐NONE *(No reportable gifts.)*

	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
1.	See Section VIII, Part V		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

VI. LIABILITIES. *(Includes those of spouse and dependent children; see pp. 32-33 of filing instructions.)*☐NONE *(No reportable liabilities.)*

	<u>CREDITOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VALUE CODE</u>
1.	1st Source Bank	Mortgage on Rental Property #1, Grand Rapids, MI (Part VII Line 125)	None
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

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1. Key Bank, So. Bend, IN IRA - Money Market	A	Interest	K	T	Sold (part)	11/15/17	J		
2. Dreyfus IRA Equity Income Fund - Class A	B	Dividend	K	T	Sold (part)	12/07/17	J		
3. Notre Dame FCU - Notre Dame, IN savings & checking account	A	Dividend	M	T					
4. U.S. Savings Bonds		None	J	T					
5. UND TIAA/CREF Retirement Fund (H)									
6. - TIAA Traditional	D	Int./Div.	M	T					
7. - CREF Stock R3	G	Int./Div.	O	T					
8. - CREF Stock R2	D	Int./Div.	K	T					
9. Prudential Whole Life Insurance Policy #1	A	Dividend	K	T					
10. Prudential Whole Life Insurance Policy #2	A	Dividend	J	T					
11. Wilco Whole Life Insurance Policy #1 (Formerly Conseco)		None	J	T					
12. Wilco Whole Life Insurance Policy #2 (Formerly Conseco)		None	J	T					
13. Brighthouse Whole Life Insurance Policy (Formerly MetLife)		None	J	T					
14. Trust #5 (H)									
15. - Intermediate Tax Exempt Fund of 1st Source Bank	A	Dividend			Sold	05/31/17	J		
16. - Nuveen Short Dur H/Y Muni I	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy (add'l)	06/19/17	J		
17. - Tax Exempt Income of 1st Source Bank	A	Dividend			Sold	05/31/17	J		

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2. Value Codes	F ~\$50,001 - \$100,000 J ~\$15,000 or less (See Columns C1 and D3)	K ~\$15,001 - \$50,000 O ~\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	L ~\$50,001 - \$100,000 P1 ~\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	M ~\$100,001 - \$250,000 P2 ~\$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000	P4 ~More than \$50,000,000
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18. - Vanguard Intm Term Tax Exempt Fund-Adm	C	Dividend	M	T	Buy (add'l)	05/31/17	J		
19.					Buy (add'l)	05/31/17	L		
20.					Buy (add'l)	06/19/17	J		
21. - Vanguard Short Term -Tax Exempt Fund -Adm	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy (add'l)	06/19/17	J		
22. - BlackRock Strat Inc Opp-Ins	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy (add'l)	06/19/17	J		
23. - T Rowe Price New America Growth Fund	C	Dividend	K	T					
24. - Federated Treasury Obligations SS	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy (add'l)	01/31/17	J		
25.					Sold (part)	01/31/17	J		
26.					Buy (add'l)	02/28/17	J		
27.					Sold (part)	02/28/17	J		
28.					Buy (add'l)	03/31/17	J		
29.					Sold (part)	03/31/17	J		
30.					Buy (add'l)	04/30/17	J		
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32.					Buy (add'l)	05/31/17	J		
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34.					Buy (add'l)	06/30/17	J		

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35.					Sold (part)	06/30/17	J		
36.					Buy (add'l)	07/31/17	J		
37.					Sold (part)	07/31/17	J		
38.					Buy (add'l)	08/31/17	J		
39.					Sold (part)	08/31/17	J		
40.					Buy (add'l)	09/30/17	J		
41.					Sold (part)	09/30/17	J		
42.					Buy (add'l)	10/31/17	J		
43.					Sold (part)	10/31/17	J		
44.					Buy (add'l)	11/30/17	J		
45.					Sold (part)	11/30/17	J		
46.					Buy (add'l)	12/31/17	J		
47.					Sold (part)	12/31/17	J		
48. - Fidelity Contrafund	D	Dividend	M	T	Buy (add'l)	02/13/17	J		
49.					Sold (part)	06/19/17	K	C	
50.					Sold (part)	09/05/17	J	B	
51.					Buy (add'l)	12/11/17	J		

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52.					Sold (part)	12/13/17	J	A	
53. - Boston Partners INV All Cap Val Inst	C	Dividend	L	T	Sold (part)	06/19/17	J	A	
54.					Buy (add'l)	12/15/17	J		
55. - Morgan Stanley Ins Intl Eq-I		None			Sold	06/19/17	K	D	
56. - Fidelity Low Priced Stock Fund		None			Sold	06/19/17	K	D	
57. - Amer Fnds New World Fund-F2		None			Buy	06/19/17	K		
58.					Sold	11/21/17	K		
59. - Amer Fnds New World-F3	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy	11/21/17	K		
60.					Buy (add'l)	12/22/17	J		
61. - Oakmark International-Inst	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy	06/19/17	K		
62. - Sterling Cap Str S/C Val-Ins	B	Dividend	J	T	Buy	06/19/17	J		
63.					Sold (part)	09/05/17	J		
64. - T Rowe Price Mid-Cap Growth Fund		None			Buy	06/19/17	K		
65.					Sold	08/11/17	K		
66. - T Rowe PR Mid Cap Grow-I	B	Dividend	K	T	Buy	08/11/17	K		
67.					Sold (part)	09/05/17	J	A	
68. Trust #6 (H)									

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70. - Nuveen Short Dur H/Y Muni-I	B	Dividend	K	T	Buy (add'l)	06/19/17	J		
71.					Buy (add'l)	09/01/17	J		
72. - Tax Exempt Income of 1st Source Bank	A	Dividend			Sold	05/31/17	J	A	
73. - Vanguard Intm Trm T/E Fund-Adm	C	Dividend	M	T	Buy (add'l)	05/31/17	L		
74.					Buy (add'l)	05/31/17	J		
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81. - Fidelity Contrafund	D	Dividend	M	T	Buy (add'l)	02/13/17	J		
82.					Sold (part)	06/19/17	K	D	
83.					Sold (part)	09/05/17	J	B	
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85. - Morgan Stanley Ins Intl Eq-I		None			Sold	06/19/17	K	D	

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99.					Buy (add'l)	07/31/17	J		
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103.					Buy (add'l)	09/30/17	J		
104.					Sold (part)	09/30/17	J		
105.					Buy (add'l)	10/31/17	J		
106.					Sold (part)	10/31/17	J		
107.					Buy (add'l)	11/30/17	J		
108.					Sold (part)	11/30/17	J		
109.					Buy (add'l)	12/31/17	J		
110.					Sold (part)	12/31/17	J		
111. - Boston Partners INV All Cap Val Inst	C	Dividend	L	T	Sold (part)	06/19/17	J	A	
112.					Buy (add'l)	12/15/17	J		
113. - Amer Fnds New World Fund-F2		None			Buy	06/19/17	K		
114.					Sold	11/21/17	K		
115. - Amer Fnds New World-F3	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy	11/21/17	K		
116.					Buy (add'l)	12/22/17	J		
117. - Oakmark International-Inst	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy	06/19/17	K		
118. - Sterling Cap Str S/C Val-Ins	B	Dividend	K	T	Buy	06/19/17	K		
119.					Sold (part)	09/05/17	J		

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2. Value Codes (See Columns C1 and D3)	J ~\$15,000 or less N ~\$250,001 - \$500,000 P3 ~\$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000	K ~\$15,001 - \$50,000 O ~\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	L ~\$50,001 - \$100,000 P1 ~\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 P4 ~More than \$50,000,000	M ~\$100,001 - \$250,000 P2 ~\$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000	
3. Value Method Codes (See Column C2)	Q = Appraisal U = Book Value	R = Cost (Real Estate Only) V = Other	S = Assessment W = Estimated	T = Cash Market	

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VII. INVESTMENTS and TRUSTS -- income, value, transactions (Includes those of spouse and dependent children; see pp. 34-60 of filing instructions.)

☐ NONE (No reportable income, assets, or transactions.)

A. Description of Assets (including trust assets) Place "(X)" after each asset exempt from prior disclosure	B. Income during reporting period		C. Gross value at end of reporting period		D. Transactions during reporting period				
	(1) Amount Code 1 (A-H)	(2) Type (e.g., div., rent, or int.)	(1) Value Code 2 (J-P)	(2) Value Method Code 3 (Q-W)	(1) Type (e.g., buy, sell, redemption)	(2) Date mm/dd/yy	(3) Value Code 2 (J-P)	(4) Gain Code 1 (A-H)	(5) Identity of buyer/seller (if private transaction)
120. - T Rowe Price Mid-Cap Growth Fund		None			Buy	06/19/17	K		
121.					Sold	08/11/17	K		
122. - T Rowe PR Mid Cap Grow-I	B	Dividend	K	T	Buy	08/11/17	K		
123.					Sold (part)	09/05/17	J	A	
124. 1st Source Bank - Checking	A	Interest	J	T					
125. Rental Property #1, Grand Rapids, MI (2013, \$187,000)	D	Rent			Sold	08/23/17	M	F	
126. Teacher's Credit Union Savings Account		None	J	T					

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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of report.)*

I. Positions

Item No. 1. Part-time Professor of Law, University of Notre Dame (joined faculty in 1977; part-time since appointment to the Judiciary).

As a faculty member, Judge Ripple is entitled to purchase tickets at a discount for athletic events. He receives, on the same basis as other faculty members, a discount on some items at the University bookstore. He also may use other University facilities such as the library and athletic facilities. Notre Dame provides Judge Ripple with Westlaw and Lexis services for his academic needs. Judge Ripple had the approval of the Chief Circuit Judge for his teaching activities.

Item No. 2. During the reporting period, Judge Ripple was a member of the visiting committee of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago. His term expired at the end of the 2016-2017 academic year. He is no longer a member. Members of the Visiting Committee simply give advice to the administration and faculty of the Divinity School. They have no authority in matters of school governance.

Item No. 3. Member, Judicial Advisory Board, American Society of International Law. During the reporting period, Judge Ripple served on this board whose function is to advise the Society of the educational needs of the judiciary in the area of International law and to inform the Society of the cases that have been decided by the courts in that area. Each circuit has a representative. Judge Ripple was designated by the Chief Judge of the Circuit, and his appointment was approved by Justice Ginsburg, who serves as chair of the Committee.

Item No. 4. Advisor, American Law Institute, Restatement of the Law, 3d, Conflicts of Law. During the reporting period, Judge Ripple served with other judges and lawyers as an advisor to this project of the American Law Institute. He served as a volunteer, but is reimbursed for travel expenses for his attendance at meetings. Advisors have no authority over the management of the American Law Institute.

II. Agreement

Item No. 1. TIAA/CREF Pension Fund - Prior to his appointment, Judge Ripple was a full-time employee of the University of Notre Dame. During those years (1977-1985), both he and the University contributed on his behalf to this nation-wide pension fund for University professors. The fund is administered by a board of trustees. Although Judge Ripple continues to teach at the University, neither he nor the University contributes to the fund as part of this arrangement.

Item No. 2. Part-time professor, University of Notre Dame - Details are set forth above in Section VIII, I.

IV. Reimbursements

Judge Ripple made two trips in 2016, for which reimbursement was received in 2017. These trips therefore must be reported in 2017:

Item No. 1. From December 8, 2016 through December 10, 2016, Judge Ripple attended the meeting of the Judicial Advisory Board of the American Society of International Law in Washington, D.C. That organization reimbursed him for travel, food and lodging. This reimbursement was received in 2017.

Item No. 2. From September 8, 2016 through September 10, 2016, Judge Ripple attended the meeting of the Advisors to the American Law Institute's project on the Restatement of the Law, 3d, Conflicts of Law in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The American Law Institute reimbursed him for travel, food, and lodging. This reimbursement was received in 2017.

V. Gifts

West Publishing Company supplies Judge Ripple with a sample set of the Federal Reporter and miscellaneous legal material for use in his chambers. The Company makes these books available to all federal judges. The estimated value of these materials is \$2,083.12. These materials are used for the performance of official duties. Judge Ripple has transferred any interest he may have in these materials to the United States Government.

VI. Liabilities

The 1st Source Bank Mortgage was paid in full when the rental property was sold August 23, 2017, therefore the balance reported at the end of the reporting period is none.

VII. Investments and Trusts

Item No. 5. This is a University of Notre Dame 403(B) Retirement Plan. It is an annuity contract invested in three funds. These investment funds have not changed from the prior year, but since the Committee of Financial Disclosure requested that specific investments chosen from the plan options be disclosed each fund has been listed.

Item Nos. 9 & 10. These are whole life insurance policies and Judge Ripple has no ability to select specific investment funds.

Item Nos. 11, 12 & 13. No dividends or interest are attributable to any individual policy of this type. Each policy does have a cash value; that value is noted.

Item Nos. 15 - 67. These are all holdings, purchase, and sale transactions within Trust No. 5 (Item 14).

Item Nos. 69 - 123. These are all holdings, purchase, and sale transactions within Trust No. 6 (Item 68).

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Amendment

Report was amended on 08/22/2018 in response to a letter of inquiry which stated the report did not include Part IX, the certification page.

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IX. CERTIFICATION.

I certify that all information given above (including information pertaining to my spouse and minor or dependent children, if any) is accurate, true, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that any information not reported was withheld because it met applicable statutory provisions permitting non-disclosure.

I further certify that earned income from outside employment and honoraria and the acceptance of gifts which have been reported are in compliance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. app. § 501 et. seq., 5 U.S.C. § 7353, and Judicial Conference regulations.

Signature: s/ **Kenneth F. Ripple**

NOTE: ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY FALSIFIES OR FAILS TO FILE THIS REPORT MAY BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL AND CRIMINAL SANCTIONS (5 U.S.C. app. § 104)

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