

# FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT INITIAL FILING

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

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| <b>1. Person Reporting</b> (last name, first, middle initial)<br><br>Collins, Susan L.                                                                                                                    | <b>2. Court or Organization</b><br><br>United States District Court, Northern District of Indiana                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>3. Date of Report</b><br><br>12/29/2015                       |
| <b>4. Title</b> (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time)<br><br>Magistrate Judge, Full Time                                                   | <b>5a. Report Type</b> (check appropriate type)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Nomination <input type="checkbox"/> Date<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Final<br><b>5b.</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amended Report | <b>6. Reporting Period</b><br><br>01/01/2014<br>to<br>04/15/2015 |
| <b>7. Chambers or Office Address</b><br><br>E. Ross Adair Federal Building<br>1300 S. Harrison Street<br>Fort Wayne, IN 46802                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                  |
| <p align="center"><b>IMPORTANT NOTES:</b> The instructions accompanying this form must be followed. Complete all parts, checking the NONE box for each part where you have no reportable information.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                  |

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

☐ NONE (No reportable positions.)

|    | <u>POSITION</u>   | <u>NAME OF ORGANIZATION/ENTITY</u>  |
|----|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. | Adjunct Professor | Valparaiso University School of Law |
| 2. |                   |                                     |
| 3. |                   |                                     |
| 4. |                   |                                     |
| 5. |                   |                                     |

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

☒ NONE (No reportable agreements.)

|    | <u>DATE</u> | <u>PARTIES AND TERMS</u> |
|----|-------------|--------------------------|
| 1. |             |                          |
| 2. |             |                          |
| 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.)*

| DATE    | SOURCE AND TYPE                                  | INCOME<br>(yours, not spouse's) |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. 2015 | Valparaiso University Law School teaching salary | \$20,000.00                     |
| 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.)*

| DATE | SOURCE AND TYPE |
|------|-----------------|
| 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.)*

| SOURCE | DATES | LOCATION | PURPOSE | ITEMS PAID OR PROVIDED |
|--------|-------|----------|---------|------------------------|
| 1.     |       |          |         |                        |
| 2.     |       |          |         |                        |
| 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. |               |                    |              |
| 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. | USAA                 | Motor Vehicle loan #1 | M                 |
| 2. | Alliant Credit Union | Motor Vehicle loan #2 | L                 |
| 3. | Alliant Credit Union | Motor Vehicle loan #3 | K                 |
| 4. |                      |                       |                   |
| 5. |                      |                       |                   |

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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.<br>Description of Assets<br>(including trust assets)<br><br>Place "(X)" after each asset<br>exempt from prior disclosure | B.<br>Income during<br>reporting period |                                               | C.<br>Gross value at end<br>of reporting period |                                           | D.<br>Transactions during reporting period      |                         |                                 |                                |                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                             | (1)<br>Amount<br>Code 1<br>(A-H)        | (2)<br>Type (e.g.,<br>div., rent,<br>or int.) | (1)<br>Value<br>Code 2<br>(J-P)                 | (2)<br>Value<br>Method<br>Code 3<br>(Q-W) | (1)<br>Type (e.g.,<br>buy, sell,<br>redemption) | (2)<br>Date<br>mm/dd/yy | (3)<br>Value<br>Code 2<br>(J-P) | (4)<br>Gain<br>Code 1<br>(A-H) | (5)<br>Identity of<br>buyer/seller<br>(if private<br>transaction) |

|                                                  |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|---|----------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Chase Bank Account                            | A | Interest | K |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Vanguard IRA: Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 | D | Interest | J | T |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Alliant Credit Union Account                  | A | Interest | J |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.                                               |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.                                               |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.                                               |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.                                               |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8.                                               |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.                                               |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17.                                              |   |          |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |

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|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Income Gain Codes:<br>(See Columns B1 and D4) | A = \$1,000 or less<br>F = \$50,001 - \$100,000                                       | B = \$1,001 - \$2,500<br>G = \$100,001 - \$1,000,000   | C = \$2,501 - \$5,000<br>H1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000                                   | D = \$5,001 - \$15,000<br>H2 = More than \$5,000,000         | E = \$15,001 - \$50,000 |
| 2. Value Codes<br>(See Columns C1 and D3)        | J = \$15,000 or less<br>N = \$250,001 - \$500,000<br>P3 = \$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000 | K = \$15,001 - \$50,000<br>O = \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | L = \$50,001 - \$100,000<br>P1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000<br>P4 = More than \$50,000,000 | M = \$100,001 - \$250,000<br>P2 = \$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000 |                         |
| 3. Value Method Codes<br>(See Column C2)         | Q = Appraisal<br>U = Book Value                                                       | R = Cost (Real Estate Only)<br>V = Other               | S = Assessment<br>W = Estimated                                                           | T = Cash Market                                              |                         |

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

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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/ Susan L. Collins

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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