

**FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE
FOR CALENDAR YEAR**

1. Person Reporting (last name, first, middle initial) Counts, III, Walter D.	2. Court or Office U.S.D.C. W
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) Magistrate Judge (Full)	5a. Report Type ☐ Nomin ☐ Initial 5b. ☐ A
7. Chambers or Office Address U.S. Courthouse 200 East Wall Street Midland, Texas 79701	
IMPORTANT NOTES: <i>The instructions accompanying this form require you to check the NONE box for each part with which you are not involved.</i>	

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

☐ **NONE** *(No reportable positions.)*

POSITION

1. Director

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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.)*DATESOURCE AND TYPEINCOME

(yours, not spouse's)

1. _____

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.)*DATESOURCE 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.)*SOURCEDATESLOCATIONPURPOSEITEMS 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.	Chase	Credit Card	None
2.	American Express	Credit Card	None
3.			
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 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)
1. Symetra Life Insurance Co. (Whole Life)	B	Int./Div.	K	T					
2. Resolution Life (Whole Life)		None	J	T					
3. Bank of America (Cash)	A	Interest	M	T					
4. Wells Fargo (Cash)	A	Interest	J	T					
5. Wells Fargo Compass Current Equity Income	A	Dividend	M	T	Buy	01/25/15	M		
6. Good Harbor Tactical Core US - GHUAX	A	Dividend			Sold	02/02/15	K		
7. First Trust Sabrient Baker's Dozen Portfolio - FELCRX	A	Dividend	K	T	Buy	08/13/15	K		
8. Nationwide Highmark Funds (Bond Class A - fixed)	A	Dividend	J	T					
9. IRA									
10. - Blackrock Equity Dividend FD Cl C	C	Int./Div.	J	T					
11. - Invesco Int'l Growth A	A	Int./Div.	J	T					
12. - DWS Dremman Small Cap	A	Int./Div.	J	T					
13. - Hartford Mutual Midcap Cl C	A	Int./Div.	J	T	Buy	02/24/15	J		
14. - Evergreen Money Mkt Fd Cl A	A	Int./Div.	J	T					
15. Great West Retirement n/k/a Empower Retirement (Def'd Comp)									
16. - Putnam Stable Value Fund	A	Dividend	K	T					
17. - Vanguard 500 Index Admiral	B	Dividend	K	T					

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

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18. Rent House (Abilene, Taylor County, Texas)	D	Rent	L	W					

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

II.1. As of termination of employment, neither I nor my former employer contribute to this plan.

VII.14. Evergreen Money Mkt Fd Cl A is a cash account, utilized only if the IRA is not fully-invested.

VII.16. Nationwide Fixed was dropped by the plan in favor of Putnam Stable Value Fund (remains a fixed account).

VII.17. Vanguard 500 Index Signal dropped by the plan in favor of Vanguard 500 Index Admiral.

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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/ **Walter D. Counts,III**

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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