

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) Torres, Miguel A.	2. Court or Organization Western District of Texas	3. Date of Report 5/15/2018
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U.S. Magistrate Judge	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 U.S. Magistrate Judge Miguel A. Torres Albert Armendariz Jr. U.S. Courthouse 525 Magoffin Ave., Suite 751 El Paso, Texas 79901		
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.)

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME OF ORGANIZATION/ENTITY</u>
1. Secretary	National Conference of Federal Trial Judges - American Bar Association
2. Trustee (term expired May 2017)	Texas Center for Legal Ethics
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.	
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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.		
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. 2017	Gordon, Davis, Johnson, & Shane PC
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. American Bar Association	February 1-5, 2017	Miami, Florida	Meeting, National Conference of Federal Trial Judges	Hotel, airfare (partial)
2. Texas Center for the Judiciary	April 3-4, 2016	Austin, Texas	Presented U.S. Supreme Court Update to State Court Judges - TX Ctr Judiciary	Hotel, airfare
3. U.S. Courts	February 26-28, 2017	San Diego, California	U.S. Border Courts Conference	Hotel, airfare, transportation, and meals
4. U.S. Courts	May 8-10, 2017	Dallas (Frisco), Texas	Fifth Circuit Judicial Conference	Hotel, airfare, transportation, and meals

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5.	U.S. Courts	July 29-August 2, 2017	Chicago, Illinois	National Workshop, U.S. Magistrate Judges	Hotel, airfare, transportation, and meals
6.	Texas Center for Legal Ethics	May 4-5, 2017	Houston, Texas	Texas Center for Legal Ethics Board of Trustees meeting	Hotel, airfare
7.	American Bar Association	August 10-13, 2017	New York, New York	Meeting, National Conference of Federal Trial Judges	Hotel, airfare (partial)

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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.			
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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.	Nelmet (loan formerly administered Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)	Spouse's student loan	L
2.			
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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. Weststar Bank Savings Account - El Paso, TX	A	Interest	K	T					
2. JH Ret to 2040 Managed Port	A	Interest	J	T					
3. Government Employees Credit Union Bank Account	A	Interest	J	T					
4. Gordon, Davis, Johnson, and Shane PC Profit Sharing Plan	A	Interest	J	T					
5. Roberto Canales M.D.P.A	A	Interest	J	T					
6. Roberto Canales M.D.P.A. Plan and Trust	A	Interest	J	T					
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1. Income Gain Codes: (See Columns B1 and D4)	A = \$1,000 or less F = \$50,001 - \$100,000	B = \$1,001 - \$2,500 G = \$100,001 - \$1,000,000	C = \$2,501 - \$5,000 H1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	D = \$5,001 - \$15,000 H2 = More than \$5,000,000	E = \$15,001 - \$50,000
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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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of report.)*

EXPLANATORY NOTE regarding Part VII

1. The Weststar Bank Savings Account - El Paso, TX represents my savings bank account.
2. The JH Ret to 2040 is a retirement account [REDACTED] has from a previous employer. The other accounts (Roberto Canales MDP, Roberto Canales MDP Plan and Trust) are also retirement accounts related to my wife's previous employer.
3. (Added Nov. 1, 2017) the Gordon Davis Johnson and Shane PC Profit Sharing plan is the profit sharing account for [REDACTED] employer, whom she joined in January 2016.

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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/ **Miguel A. Torres**

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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