

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) Opel, II, Robert N.	2. Court or Organization US Bankruptcy - Middle of PA	3. Date of Report 04/19/2018
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) Bankruptcy 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 Max Rosenn Federal Courthouse 197 South Main Street Suite 144 Wilkes-Barre PA 18701		
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.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

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

☒ NONE (No reportable agreements.)

DATE

PARTIES AND TERMS

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 (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.)*

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. Eastern District Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Bar Association	01/20/2017	Atlantic City, NJ	Bankruptcy Conference	Registration fee, lodging, meals, mileage
2. National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges	10/07/2017-10/08/2017	Las Vegas, NV	Annual Meeting	Lodging, flight
3. Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Institute	10/18/2017	Mechanicsburg, PA	Bankruptcy Conference	Registration fee, lodging, meals, mileage
4. Allegheny County Bar Association	12/8/2017	Pittsburgh, PA	Bankruptcy Symposium	Registration fee, lodging, meals, mileage
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.)*SOURCEDESCRIPTIONVALUE

1.

2.

3.

4.

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

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3.

4.

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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. Broker Account 1:									
2. Merrill Lynch Cash		None	J	T					
3. ML Bank Deposit Program		None	J	T					
4. Blackrock Global	A	Dividend			Sold	06/21/17	J		
5. Blackrock Global	A	Dividend			Sold	06/21/17	J		
6. Nuveen Mortgage Optrnity	A	Dividend	J	T					
7.									
8. Broker Account 2:									
9. Franktem Age 0-8 Years A	A	Dividend			Sold	06/28/17	J		
10. Franktem Age 0-8 Yeras C	A	Dividend			Sold	06/28/17	J		
11. BLKRR 0-7 Years	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	06/28/17	J		
12. BLKRR 0-3 Years	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	11/16/17	J		
13. Ishares 0-7 Yrs A	A	Dividend			Sold	06/28/17	J		
14. Ishares 0-7 Yrs C	A	Dividend			Sold	06/28/17	J		
15. Ishares 0-7 Years	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	06/28/17	J		
16. Ishares 0-3 Years	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	11/16/17	J		
17.									

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 H = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	D = \$5,001 - \$15,000 I = More than \$5,000,000	E = \$15,001 - \$50,000 J = \$50,001 - \$100,000
2. Value Codes (See Columns C1 and D3)	J = \$15,000 or less N = \$250,001 - \$500,000 P3 = \$250,000,001 - \$500,000,000	K = \$15,001 - \$50,000 O = \$500,001 - \$1,000,000	P1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 P4 = More than \$5,000,000	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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18. Broker Account 3:									
19. Merrill Lynch Cash		None	J	T					
20. Bank of America, NA RASP		None	J	T					
21. US Treasury Bond	A	Dividend	J	T					
22. American Capital Income	A	Dividend	K	T					
23. Blackrock Global	A	Dividend	J	T	Sold (part)	04/24/17	J		
24. Davis NY Venture	A	Dividend			Sold	06/13/17	J		
25. J Hancock Financial Inds	A	Dividend			Sold	04/24/17	J		
26.									
27. Broker Account 4:									
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35. PNC Bank Various Accounts	A	Interest	J	T					
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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/ Robert N. Opel, II

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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