

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2014

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) Kirscher, Ralph B.	2. Court or Organization U. S. Bankruptcy Court/Montana	3. Date of Report 05/03/2015
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U. S. Bankruptcy Judge	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) ☐ Nomination ☐ Date ☐ Initial ☒ Annual ☐ Final 5b. ☐ Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 01/01/2014 to 12/31/2014
7. Chambers or Office Address U.S. Bankruptcy Court 400 No. Main, Rm. 215 Butte, MT 59701		
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.		
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II. AGREEMENTS. (Reporting individual only; see pp. 14-16 of filing instructions.)

☒ NONE (No reportable agreements.)

DATE

PARTIES AND TERMS

1.	
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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. 2014	University of Montana Law School - teaching	\$4,000.00
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.)*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>
1.	
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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. Montana Bankruptcy Section; Montana State Bar	September 4-5, 2014	Missoula, Montana	CLE Program	meals
2.				
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V. GIFTS. (Includes those to spouse and dependent children; see pp. 28-31 of filing instructions.)

☒ NONE (No reportable gifts.)

	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
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.)

	CREDITOR	DESCRIPTION	VALUE CODE
1.	ACS/Wells Fargo Education Services	Student Loans	K
2.	First Interstate Bank	Credit Card	J
3.	American Express	Credit Card	K
4.	Chase	Credit Card	J
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. Mineral estate from Stillwater County, MT Farm Property		None	J	W					
2. ReliaStar Life Ins. Co. (ING) Flexible Prem Adjustable (X) Whole Life	A	Interest	K	W					
3. MetLife: Promise Whole Life Base Plan (X)	A	Dividend	K	W					
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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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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of report.)*

The mineral estate listed in Part VII is non-producing so no income was generated in 2014.

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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/ Ralph B. Kirscher**

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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