

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT INITIAL FILING

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) Berens, Sally J.	2. Court or Organization U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan	3. Date of Report 07/22/2020
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U.S. Magistrate Judge - Full Time	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) ☐ Nomination ☐ Date ☒ Initial ☐ Annual ☐ Final 5b. ☒ Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 01/01/2018 to 03/31/2020
7. Chambers or Office Address U.S. District Court - Western District of Michigan 110 Michigan St. NW, Suite 664 Grand Rapids, MI 49503		
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. Assistant United States Attorney	U.S. Attorney's Office
2. Trustee	Trust #1
3. Vice-President	Homeowners' Association
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.)*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. EXEMPT

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.	EXEMPT		
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.	EdFinancial	student loan	K
2.			
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.)

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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. Lake Michigan Credit Union Cash Account	A	Int./Div.	J	T	Exempt				
2. Citibank Cash Account	A	Int./Div.	J	T	Exempt				
3. Chemical Bank Cash Account	A	Int./Div.	J	T	Exempt				
4. Fidelity IRA (H)					Exempt				
5. - Fidelity Cash Account	A	Int./Div.	J	T	Exempt				
6. - ADRE		None	J	T	Exempt				
7. - DIA		None	J	T	Exempt				
8. - FBT		None	J	T	Exempt				
9. - FSENX	A	Int./Div.	J	T	Exempt				
10. - PJP		None	J	T	Exempt				
11. - URE		None	J	T	Exempt				
12. Invesco Roth Conversion (H)					Exempt				
13. - Invesco Am. Franchise Fund Class A		None	K	T	Exempt				
14. Invesco Roth Conversion (H)					Exempt				
15. - Invesco Am. Franchise Fund Class A		None	J	T	Exempt				
16. Northwestern Mutual Whole Life Ins. #1	B	Dividend	K	T	Exempt				
17. Northwestern Mutual Whole Life Ins. #2	A	Dividend	J	T	Exempt				

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.)*

Although I am a trustee of Trust #1, that provides no income, and there are no reportable assets in Trust #1. The only asset of value is my personal residence. I have now resigned my position as Vice-President of my homeowners' association. That position provided no income.

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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/ Sally J. Berens

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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