

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

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) Higginson, Stephen A.	2. Court or Organization United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit	3. Date of Report 05/15/2020
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) United States Circuit Judge Active Status	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) ☐ Nomination ☐ Date ☐ Initial ☒ Annual ☐ Final 5b. ☐ Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 01/01/2019 to 12/31/2019
7. Chambers or Office Address 600 Camp Street Room 300 New Orleans, LA 70130		
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. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
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. 2019	TIAA-CREF Retirement Plan through former employer -- law school, no control
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.)*

<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. 6/2019	Brown University
2. 12/2019	Chapman University
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. Craven Law School, University of North Carolina	1/25-26/2019	Chapel Hill, North Carolina	Judge for Moot Court Competition	Airfare, Hotel, Meals, Taxi
2. Vanderbilt University Law School	2/1/2019	Nashville, TN	Judge for Moot Court Competition	Airfare, Meals, Taxi
3. LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center	3/18-19/2019	Baton Rouge, LA	Rubin Visiting Professor	Hotel, Meals
4. American Society of International Law	11/22-23/2019	Washington, DC	Attend Annual Judicial Advisory Board Meeting	Airfare, Hotel, Meals, Taxi
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.)

SOURCE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
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.)

CREDITOR	DESCRIPTION	VALUE CODE
1. Yale University	Tuition	L
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

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)	(2)	(1)	(2)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Amount Code 1 (A-H)	Type (e g , div , rent, or int)	Value Code 2 (J-P)	Value Method Code 3 (Q-W)	Type (e g , buy, sell, redemption)	Date mm/dd/yy	Value Code 2 (J-P)	Gain Code 1 (A-H)	Identity of buyer/seller (if private transaction)
1. Regions Bank Account	A	Interest	N	T					
2. LA Start Savings Program Accounts: Louisiana Principal Protection Fund	B	Interest	K	T					
3. Merrill Lynch Cash Money Account	A	Interest	K	T					
4. Black Rock Balanced Mutual Fund	B	Dividend	K	T					
5. Judicial & Justice Federal Credit Union	A	Interest	J	T					
6. TIAA-Cref Lifecycle 2025-Inst		None	M	T					
7. TIAA Real Estate		None	K	T					
8. CREF Social Choice R2		None	K	T					
9. CREF Bond Market R2		None	K	T					
10. CREF Stock R2		None	M	T					
11. CREF Global Equities R2		None	K	T					
12. Empower Retirement - American Funds 2045 Trgt		None			Merged (with line 13)	03/17/19	J		
13. Empower Retirement -Vanguard Information Technology Idx Adm	A	Dividend	J	T					
14. Empower Retirement - Fidelity Mid Cap Index		None			Merged (with line 15)	03/17/19	J		
15. Empower Retirement - T. Rowe Price Blue Chip Growth I	A	Dividend	J	T					
16. TIAA-Cref Lifecycle 2025-Inst		None	L	T					
17. Fidelity Investments - FID Freedom 2025 K	A	Int./Div.	J	T					

1 Income Gain Codes:
(See Columns B1 and D4)

2 Value Codes
(See Columns C1 and D3)

3 Value Method Codes
(See Column C2)

A =\$1,000 or less
F =\$50,001 - \$100,000
J =\$15,000 or less
N =\$250,001 - \$500,000
P3 =\$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000
Q =Appraisal
U =Book Value

B =\$1,001 - \$2,500
G =\$100,001 - \$1,000,000
K =\$15,001 - \$50,000
O =\$500,001 - \$1,000,000
R =Cost (Real Estate Only)
V =Other

C =\$2,501 - \$5,000
H1 =\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
L =\$50,001 - \$100,000
P1 =\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
P4 =More than \$50,000,000
S =Assessment
W =Estimated

D =\$5,001 - \$15,000
H2 =More than \$5,000,000
M =\$100,001 - \$250,000
P2 =\$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000
T =Cash Market

E =\$15,001 - \$50,000

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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/ Stephen A. Higginson**

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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