

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015

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) Thomton, Michael B.	2. Court or Organization U.S. Tax Court	3. Date of Report 05/13/2016
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) Judge	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) ☐ Nomination ☐ Date ☐ Initial ☒ Annual ☐ Final 5b. ☐ Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 01/01/2015 to 12/31/2015
7. Chambers or Office Address U.S. Tax Court 400 Second Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20217		
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.)*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. 1/15-12/15

Center for American Progress - Policy Advisor

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. _____

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.			
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.	Bank of America	Visa Credit Card	J
2.	Discover	Credit Card	J
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.)

☐ 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. Congressional Federal Credit Union	B	Interest	J	T					
2. U.S. Senate Federal Credit Union	B	Interest	J	T					
3. (H) MERRILL LYNCH BROKERAGE ACCT.									
4. Merrill Lynch Bank Deposit Program		None	J	T					
5. Invesco Global Core	A	Dividend	K	T					
6. Am. Invest. Co. of America	A	Dividend	K	T					
7. American FD Washington Mutual Fund	A	Dividend	K	T					
8. Janus Balanced Fund	A	Dividend	K	T					
9. Invesco Van Kampen Comstock Fund	A	Dividend	K	T					
10. Lord Abbett Floating Fund	A	Dividend	K	T	Sold (part)	07/21/15	J	A	
11. Blackrock Global Allocation Mutual Fund	A	Dividend	K	T					
12. (H) MERRILL LYNCH BROKERAGE ACCT.--IRA									
13. Putnam Equity Spectrum	A	Dividend	J	T					
14. Blackrock Global Allocation	A	Dividend	J	T					
15. Am. Growth Fund of America	A	Dividend	J	T					
16. Hotchkis & Wiley Large Cap Value Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
17. MFS International Value Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					

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	
3. Value Method Codes	P3 = \$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000		P4 = More than \$50,000,000		
(See Column C2)	Q = Appraisal	R = Cost (Real Estate Only)	S = Assessment	T = Cash Market	
	U = Book Value	V = Other	W = Estimated		

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18. (H) MERRILL LYNCH BROKERAGE ACCT. --IRA #2									
19. American Growth Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
20. Hotchkis & Wiley Large Cap Value Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
21. Putnam Equity Spectrum	A	Dividend	J	T					
22. MFS International Value Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
23. Virginia Education Savings Trust		None	J	T					
24. Virginia Education Savings Trust		None	K	T					
25. (H) MERRILL LYNCH BROKERAGE ACCT. --IRA									
26. American Growth Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
27. Hotchkis & Wiley Large Cap Value Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
28. Putnam Equity Spectrum	A	Dividend	J	T					
29. Blackrock Global Allocation Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
30. MFS International Value fund	A	Dividend	J	T					

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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of report.)*

Part VII - Line 30 --

Purchase of MFS International Value Fund occurred on 06/06/2014 but was inadvertently omitted from the 2014 report. The value code should have been J.

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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/ **Michael B. Thornton**

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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