

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) Lawson, Jr., Roger H.	2. Court or Organization Middle District, Georgia	3. Date of Report 06/06/2018
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U.S. District Judge, Senior	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 P.O. Box 838 475 Mulberry Street Macon, Georgia 31202		
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. 01/01/96	Georgia Retirement System for Superior Court Judges
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. 2017	Georgia Judicial Retirement System--Retirement	\$92,988.06
2. 2017	Judicial Retireess & Survivors Admin Office of the US Courts	\$199,128.88
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. 2017	Teacher's Retirement System of Georgia--Retirement
2. 2017	First United Methodist Church--Wages
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.				
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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.	John Deere Credit	Tractor Loan	J
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

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1. Sunmark Bancshares, Inc.	A	Dividend	J	U					
2. Merrill Lynch IRA									
3. --Merrill Lynch - Bank of America	A	Interest	J	T					
4. --Merrill Lynch - Blackrock Global	A	Interest	J	T					
5. --Lincoln National Life Legacy III Plus		None	L	T					
6. Merrill Lynch									
7. --Merrill Lynch Bank USA		None	K	T					
8. --Transamerica Life Ins. Co.-Transamerica Landmark Annuity		None	L	T					
9. --Transamerica Life Ins. Co.- Transamerica Landmark Annuity		None	K	T					
10. 270.00 Acres, Hawkinsville,Pulaski County, GA		None	N	W					
11. Wells Fargo-High Yield Bond Fund A	A	Dividend	K	T					
12. Franklin Georgia Tax-Free Income Fund- Class A	A	Dividend	J	T					
13. Rental House, Watson St. Hawkinsville,Pulaski Co., GA.	C	Rent	K	W					
14. Subdivision, Pulaski County, Georgia Und. Interest		None	K	W					
15. Rental House, McCormick Avenue, Hawkinsville, GA. Und. Inter	D	Rent	K	W					
16. Merrill Lynch									
17. Merrill Lynch Deposit Account	A	Dividend	J	T					

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18. --Regions Financial Corp.	B	Dividend	L	T					
19. --Pimco Income Fund Cl C	A	Dividend	J	T					
20. --Aralez Pharmaceuticals		None	J	T					
21. --Nuveen Georgia Muni Bond Fund	E	Dividend	O	T					
22. --Virnetx Hldg Corp		None	J	T					
23. Sunmark Community Bank-Accounts	A	Interest	J	T					
24. Merrill Lynch									
25. --Merrill Lynch Deposit Account	A	Interest	J	T					
26. --Abbott Laboratories Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
27. --American Intl Group Inc Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
28. --Abbvie Inc SHS	A	Dividend	J	T					
29. --AT&T Inc	A	Dividend	J	T					
30. --Automatic Data Processing Inc Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
31. --Chevron Texaco Corp Common	A	Dividend	K	T					
32. --Cintas Corp Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
33. --CDK Global Inc SHS	A	Dividend	J	T					
34. --Coca-Cola Co. Common	A	Dividend	J	T					

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35. --General Electric Co., Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
36. --Walt Disney Co. Common	A	Dividend	K	T					
37. --E I Dupont De Nemours & Co , Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
38.	A	Distribution			Distributed (part)	09/08/17	J		
39. --Pareteum Corp		None	J	T					
40. --Exxon Mobile Corp Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
41. --Illinois Tool Works Inc.	A	Dividend	J	T					
42. --Eli Lilly & Co. Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
43. --McDonald's Corp. Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
44. --Medtronic Inc. Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
45. --Pfizer Inc. Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
46. --Proctor & Gamble Co. Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
47. --Western Asset Managed Municipals Fd C	D	Dividend	M	T					
48. --Walgreens Boots Alliance Inc.	A	Dividend	J	T					
49. --Chemours Co	A	Dividend	J	T					
50. --Wells Fargo & Co. New Common	A	Dividend	J	T					
51. --WT 01 21American Intl		None	J	T					

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52. --Western Assets Managed Municipals	C	Dividend	M	T					
53. Merck and Co., Inc.	A	Dividend	J	T					
54. Merrill Lynch									
55. --Blackrock Strategic Income Opprts	A	Dividend	J	T					
56.	A	Distribution							
57. --Blackrock Multi Asset	A	Dividend	J	T					
58. --Pimco Investment Grade Corp	A	Dividend	J	T					
59. --Blackrock Equity Dividend	A	Dividend			Sold	07/17/17	J	B	
60. --JP Morgan Global Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
61.	A	Distribution							
62. --iShares IBOXX S	A	Dividend	J	T					
63. --iShares MSCI EAFE Index	A	Dividend	J	T					
64. --iShares Select	A	Dividend	J	T					
65. --iShares Edge MSCI	A	Dividend	K	T					
66. --iShares S & P 100	A	Dividend	J	T					
67. --iShares Core High Dividend	A	Dividend	K	T					
68. --JP Morgan Income Builder	A	Dividend	J	T					

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69. --Lord Abbett Bond	A	Dividend	J	T					
70. --Pimco Forgeign Bond FD	A	Dividend			Sold	03/20/17	J	A	
71. --Pimco Income Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
72.	A	Distribution							
73. --Powershares S & P 500 Low Volatility	A	Dividend	K	T					
74. --iShares Inc Core MSCI Emerging Mkts	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	07/07/17	J		
75. --Amer Funds Income Funds	A	Dividend	J	T					
76. --American Bond FD	A	Dividend	J	T					
77. --American Capital Income	A	Dividend	J	T					
78. --Davis Financial Fund					Sold	06/26/17	J	A	
79. --Vanguard Value ETF	A	Dividend	K	T					
80. --Vanguard Growth ETF	A	Dividend	K	T					

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

1 - Henderson Global Equity was sold on 06/03/2016 and we inadvertently left it on the 2016 report. It is taken off for this year.

2 - Powershares Exchange changed their name to Powershares S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF

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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/ **Roger H. Lawson, Jr.**

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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