

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2012

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 07/11/2013
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 01/01/2012 to 12/31/2012
7. Chambers or Office Address 600 Camp Street Room 321 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.)

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. 2012	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.)*

DATE	SOURCE AND TYPE	INCOME (yours, not spouse's)
1. 07/13/2012	OPM [retirement deduction refund]; interest	\$12,120.95
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.)*

DATE	SOURCE AND TYPE
1. 2012	Tulane University - Salary
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.)*

SOURCE	DATES	LOCATION	PURPOSE	ITEMS PAID OR PROVIDED
1. ☐ Tulane University	April, 2012 (one week trip)	North Carolina & Massachusetts	University Dining Hall Study	Lodging, Transportation, Miscellaneous Travel Expenses
2. ☐ Tulane University	June, 2012 (week-end trip)	Los Angeles, CA	University Architect Conference	Lodging, Transportation, Miscellaneous Travel Expenses
3. ☐ Tulane University	November, 2012 (one week trip)	Atlanta, GA	University Business School Study	Lodging, Transportation, Miscellaneous Travel Expenses
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.	Federal Bar Association	Monetary donation toward Investiture Reception - Music	\$500.00
2.			
3.			
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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.		Tuition	K
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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. Regions Bank Account	A	Int./Div.	K	T					
2. LA Start Savings Program Accounts	C	Int./Div.	M	T					
3. Merrill Lynch Cash Money Account	A	Int./Div.	K	T					
4. Black Rock Balanced Mutual Fund	A	Int./Div.	J	T					
5. Judicial & Justice Federal Credit Union	A	Int./Div.	J	T					
6. TIAA-Cref Retirement Account		None	M	T					
7. TIAA-Cref Retirement Account		None	M	T					
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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.)*

Section VII:

1) 2011 Nomination report shows two stocks, Computer Associates stock and Fidelity Contrafund. These were actually sold in 2011, outside of this reporting period, so they are not included in this annual 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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