

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) Adams,, John R.	2. Court or Organization U.S. District Court, N.D. of Ohio	3. Date of Report 05/06/2016
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U.S. District Judge, Active	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 510 U.S. Courthouse 2 S. Main Akron, Ohio 44333		
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. Guardian	Guardianship #1 (See Part VIII)
2. Power of Attorney	(FBO of Disabled Parent--See Part VIII)
3. Custodian	(FBO of Grand Nephew--See Part VIII)
4. Custodian	(FBO of Grand Niece--See Part VIII)
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. _____

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.	Westfield Bank, fka Valley Savings Bank	Mortgage on Residence/Rental (Duplex)	L
2.	Keybank	Credit Line	J
3.	Keybank	Credit Card	J
4.	Citi- Cards	Credit Card	J
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. Rental Property, Fairlawn Ohio	D	Rent	N	Q					See VIII
2. First Merit Common Stock	A	Dividend	K	T					
3. Fidelity Contrafund	C	Dividend	K	T					
4. Stifel Nicolas: Contrafund	A	Dividend	J	T					
5. Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. (Whole Life) No. 1	B	Dividend			Sold	09/01/15	K	E	
6. Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. (Whole Life) No. 2	B	Dividend			Sold	09/01/15	K	D	
7. Janus Growth & Income Fund	B	Dividend	K	T					
8. American Funds:AmCap Fund Inc. CL F	B	Dividend	K	T					
9. American Balanced Fund Inc. CI F	A	Dividend	K	T					
10. American High Inc. Tr. CI F	A	Dividend	J	T					
11. Eaton Vance World Wide Health Services	B	Dividend	K	T					
12. Fidelity Advisor Fund CI A	A	Dividend	K	T					
13. Northwestern Mutual Inv. Services Mn Mkt. Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
14. Westfield Bank Checking fka Valley Savings Bank	A	Interest	J	T					
15. Westfield Bank Money Market Savings	A	Interest	J	T					
16. T. Rowe Price New Era (X)	A	Dividend	J	T					
17. Retirement Account									

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 = \$250,001 - \$500,000,000	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 \$5,000,000,000	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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18. First Merit Common Stock	A	Dividend	J	T					
19. American Funds:AMCAP Fund Class F	C	Dividend	K	T					
20. American High Income Tr. Cl F	B	Dividend	K	T					
21. American Balanced Fund Cl. F	C	Dividend	L	T					
22. Eaton Vance World Wide Health Sciences	C	Dividend	K	T					
23. Fidelity Advisor Fund CIA	A	Dividend	K	T					
24. T. Rowe Price New Era (X)	A	Dividend	J	T					
25. International Growth & Income	A	Dividend	J	T					
26. New World Fund Class C	A	Dividend	J	T					
27. Remainder Interest In Ohio Property		None							

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

- 1) Part I, page 1, line 1---Guardianship #1 - The undersigned serves as Guardian of the Person (medical & person decisions only, not financial)
Ward is physically and mentally disabled as a result of cerebral palsy. The undersigned has served as Guardian since 1984
- 2) Part I, page 1, line 2---The undersigned is custodian for the proceeds of a personal injury settlement for the benefit of a minor grand nephew.
- 3) Part I, page 1, line 3---The undersigned is custodian for the proceeds of a personal injury settlement for the benefit of a minor grand niece.
- 4) Part I, page 1, line 4---The undersigned is Power of Attorney for a disabled parent.
- 5) Part VII, page 4, line 1---Rental property (duplex), located in the County of Summit, State of Ohio was appraised as part of refinancing in September, 2010.
- 6) Part VII, page 5, line 24, Remainder Interest in Ohio Real Estate
- 7) Pro Bono legal services received from Judicial Watch, Inc. related to a confidential matter.

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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/ **John R. Adams,**

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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