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FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

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)	2. Court or Organization	3. Date of Report
Counts,III, Walter D.	U.S.D.C. Western District, TX	07/02/2024
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time)	**5a. Report Type (check appropriate type)**	**6. Reporting Period**
U.S. District Judge - Active	☐ Nomination Date ☐ Initial ☑ Annual ☐ Final **5b.** ☑ Amended Report	01/01/2023 **to** 12/31/2023
7. Chambers or Office Address		
U.S. Courthouse 200 East Wall Street Midland, Texas 79701		

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.	1987	Texas County & District Retirement Systems, Austin, Tx (Defined Benefit Plan) - no control
2.		
3.		

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.			
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.		
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.					
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.)*

	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.			
2.			
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)	B. Income during reporting period		C. Gross value at end of reporting period		D. Transactions during reporting period				
	Place "(X)" after each asset exempt from prior disclosure	(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.	Bank of America (Cash)	A	Interest	M	T					
2.	Community National Bank (Cash)	A	Interest	N	T					
3.	IRA									
4.	- Blackrock Equity Dividend FD Cl A MDDVX	A	Dividend	K	T					
5.	- Invesco Int'l /Growth A AIIEX	A	Dividend	J	T					
6.	- DWS Small Cap Core Fd A SZCAX	A	Dividend	J	T					
7.	- Hartford Mut Midcap Fd Cl C HMDCX	A	Dividend	J	T					
8.	- Allspring Govt Money Mkt (cash sweep)	A	Interest	J	T					
9.	Empower Retirement (Def'd Comp)									
10.	- Putnam Stable Value Fund: 45bps	A	Dividend	K	T					
11.	- Vanguard 500 Index Fund Admiral VFIAX	E	Dividend	L	T					
12.	Rent House (Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas)	B	Rent	M	W					
13.	Texas Tech Federal Credit Union (CD)	C	Interest	M	T	Buy	01/26/23	M		
14.	Barclays (CD)	C	Interest	M	T	Buy	05/02/23	M		
15.	Barclays (CD)	C	Interest	M	T	Buy	11/10/23	M		
16.	- JP Morgan (JPM) (X)	E	Dividend			Sold	11/10/23	K	A	
17.	-Petmed Express Inc PETS	A	Dividend			Sold	11/07/23	J	A	

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2. Value Codes (See Columns C1 and D3) — J =$15,000 or less; K =$15,001 - $50,000; L =$50,001 - $100,000; M =$100,001 - $250,000; 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
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18. - Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing TSM	A	Dividend	J	T					
19. - O2Micro International Limited OIIM	A	Dividend			Sold	03/08/23	J	A	
20. - Apple Inc AAPL (X)	A	Dividend			Sold	11/17/23	N	E	
21. - Bank of America BAC (X)	E	Dividend	M	T					
22. - Citigroup Inc. C (X)	D	Dividend	L	T					
23. - First Financial Bankshares Inc FFIN (X)	D	Dividend			Sold	12/18/23	K	D	
24. - Huntington Bancshares Inc HBAN (X)	B	Dividend	J	T					
25. - The Home Depot Inc HD (X)	E	Dividend	M	T					
26. - Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co HPE (X)	B	Dividend	K	T					
27. - HP Inc HPQ (X)	D	Dividend	K	T					
28. - Oracle Corp ORCL (X)	D	Dividend	N	T					
29. - Prosperity Bancshares Inc PB (X)	D	Dividend	L	T					
30. - PepsiCo Inc PEP (X)	C	Dividend	L	T					
31. - Southern Copper Corp SCCO	C	Dividend	L	T	Buy	11/24/23	L		
32. - Quanta Services Inc PWR	C	Dividend	L	T	Buy	11/24/23	L		
33. - Microsoft Corp MSFT	D	Dividend	L	T					
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35. - Paramount Global PARA	A	Dividend			Sold	11/07/23	J	A	
36. - QUALCOMM Inc QCOM	A	Dividend	J	T					
37. -Wells Fargo Co WFC (X)	A	Dividend			Sold	11/06/23	J	A	
38. - Amazon.com Inc AMZN	D	Dividend	K	T					
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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of report.)*

II.1. As of termination of employment, neither I nor my former employer contribute to this plan.

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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/ Walter D. Counts,III

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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