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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. §§ 13101-13111)

1. Person Reporting (last name, first, middle initial)	2. Court or Organization	3. Date of Report
Merle, Natasha C.	U.S. District Court - Eastern District of New York	08/04/2024
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		
225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, NY 11201		

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 Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 345 Trustees, Executors, Administrators, and Custodians; § 350 Power of Attorney; § 355 Outside Positions.)*

☐ NONE *(No reportable positions.)*

	POSITION	NAME OF ORGANIZATION/ENTITY
1.	Deputy Director of Litigation	NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

II. AGREEMENTS. *(Reporting individual only; see Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 340 Agreements and Arrangements.)*

☑ NONE *(No reportable agreements.)*

	DATE	PARTIES AND TERMS
1.		
2.		
3.		

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III. NON-INVESTMENT INCOME. *(Reporting individual and spouse; see Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 320 Income; § 360 Spouses and Dependent Children.)*

A. Filer's Non-Investment Income

☐ NONE *(No reportable non-investment income.)*

DATE	SOURCE AND TYPE	INCOME (yours, not spouse's)
1. 2023	NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (salary)	$113,943.46
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
1. 2023	Federal Reserve Bank of NY (salary)
2.	
3.	
4.	

IV. REIMBURSEMENTS *-- transportation, lodging, food, entertainment.*

(Includes those to spouse and dependent children; see Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 330 Gifts and Reimbursements; § 360 Spouses and Dependent Children.)

☑ 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 Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 330 Gifts and Reimbursements; § 360 Spouses and Dependent Children.)*

☑ NONE *(No reportable gifts.)*

	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

VI. LIABILITIES. *(Includes those of spouse and dependent children; see Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 335 Liabilities; § 360 Spouses and Dependent Children.)*

☐ NONE *(No reportable liabilities.)*

	CREDITOR	DESCRIPTION	VALUE CODE
1.	Nelnet	Student Loan	K
2.	Wells Fargo	Mortgage - Rental Property #1	N
3.			
4.			
5.			

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VII. INVESTMENTS and TRUSTS *-- income, value, transactions (Includes those of spouse and dependent children; see Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 2D, Ch. 3, § 310 Reporting Thresholds for Assets; § 312 Types of Reportable Property; § 315 Interests in Property; § 320 Income; § 325 Purchases, Sales, and Exchanges; § 360 Spouses and Dependent Children; § 365 Trusts, Estates, and Investment Funds.)*

☐ 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 (1) Amount Code 1 (A-H)	B. (2) Type (e.g., div., rent, or int.)	C. Gross value at end of reporting period (1) Value Code 2 (J-P)	C. (2) Value Method Code 3 (Q-W)	D. Transactions during reporting period (1) Type (e.g., buy, sell, redemption)	D. (2) Date mm/dd/yy	D. (3) Value Code 2 (J-P)	D. (4) Gain Code 1 (A-H)	
1. Individual Assets (H)									
2. Bank of America (cash)	A	Interest	L	T					
3. Ally Bank (cash)	D	Interest	N	T					
4. Industrial Bank (cash)	A	Interest	J	T					
5. Rental Property #1: Brooklyn, NY	D	Rent	O	W					
6. Account #1 (H)									
7. YourPath American Funds 2050 MOD 100% (was Target 2050)		None	M	T					
8.									
9.									
10.									
11.									
12.									
13.									
14.									
15.									
16.									
17.									

1. Income Gain Codes: (See Columns B1 and D4)
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
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 (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

3. Value Method Codes (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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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of report.)*

Part VII, Column B: Lines reflecting no income are so reported because none was attributed to those particular holdings during the reporting period, whether taxable, tax exempt, or tax deferred, or because the investments do not allocate income to individual holdings, but instead are credited only in unit value.

Account #1 of the Nomination Report is not reportable in this cycle; there are no corresponding reportable transactions.

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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. § 13141 et. seq., 5 U.S.C. § 7353, and Judicial Conference regulations.

Signature: s/ Natasha C. Merle

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. § 13106)

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