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FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

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
Sands, Willie L.	District Court Middle Georgia	05/13/2022
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**
Senior U. S. District Judge	☐ Nomination Date ☐ Initial ☑ Annual ☐ Final **5b.** ☐ Amended Report	01/01/2021 **to** 12/31/2021
7. Chambers or Office Address		
C. B. King U. S. Courthouse 201 West Broad Avenue Albany, Georgia 31701		

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.	Trustee	Walter F. George School of Law Foundation, Inc.
2.	Member	Albany Symphony Association, Inc. Board of Directors, President
3.	Trustee	Mercer University
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.			
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.	2021	Gray Media Group Inc - Salary, TV News Anchor
2.	2021	Self-employed, Singer/Performer
3.	3/11/2021	Speaker, Honorarium $2000 Albany State University
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.	Mercer University	7/14/2021-7/16/2021	Highland, NC	Board Retreat	meals, activity, lodging
2.	American Bar Association Section	9/8/2021-9/9/2021	Braselton, GA	CLE Panelist	lodging, meals, travel
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.	Richard Neuwirth	personal loan	J
2.	Marcus, Goldman Sachs	personal loan	J
3.			
4.			
5.			

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☐ NONE *(No reportable income, assets, or transactions.)*

A	B		C		D				
Description of Assets (including trust assets)	Income during reporting period		Gross value at end of reporting period		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)	
1. Morgan Stanley Domestic Holdings, Inc, E*Trade Securities LLC (H)									
2. -EKSO common		None			Sold (part)	06/03/21	J		
3. -EKSO common		None			Sold	07/08/21	J		
4. -IDCC common	A	Dividend			Sold	09/20/21	J	A	
5. -UEC common		None	J	T					
6. -UEC common		None	J	T	Sold (part)	04/08/21	J	B	
7. -BABA ADR		None			Sold	08/20/21	J	A	
8. -QRVO common		None			Sold (part)	04/15/21	J	B	
9. -QRVO common		None			Sold	10/21/21	J	B	
10. -BEEM common		None	J	T					
11. -BEEM common		None			Sold (part)	04/15/21	J	B	
12. -RACE common	A	Dividend			Sold	06/14/21	J	A	
13. -ANLDF common		None	J	T					
14. -ANLDF		None	J	T	Buy (add'l)	10/21/21	J		
15. -ANLDF		None	J	T	Buy (add'l)	10/22/21	J		
16. -FTSSF common		None	J	T					
17. -LAC common		None	J	T					

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18. -LAC common		None	J	T	Sold (part)	09/03/21	J	B	
19. -RHHNF common		None	K	T					
20. -RHHNF xommon					Buy (add'l)	04/27/21	J		
21. -RHHNF common					Buy (add'l)	05/13/21	J		
22. -RHHNF common					Buy (add'l)	05/19/21	J		
23. -RHHNF common					Buy (add'l)	05/25/21	J		
24. -RHHNF common					Buy (add'l)	06/03/21	J		
25. -NIO American Depository Shares		None	J	T					
26. -NEO common		None	J	T					
27. -RESN common		None	J	T					
28. -TTOO common		None	J	T					
29. -VLDR common		None	J	T					
30. -VLDR common					Buy (add'l)	08/26/21	J		
31. -DBGI common (X)		None	J	T	Open	06/16/21	J		
32. -DBGI common					Buy (add'l)	06/03/21	J		
33. -DBGI common					Buy (add'l)	06/17/21	J		
34. TIAA Brokerage Services (H)									

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35. -BEEM common					Sold	05/05/21	J	C	
36. Gray Television, Inc. Capital Accumulation Plan (H)									
37. -American Funds American Balanced R6	A	Dividend	J	T					
38. -American Funds EuroPacific Gr R6	B	Dividend	J	T					
39. -Blackrock Mid-Cap Growth Equity K (Y)									
40. -Loomis Sayles Core Plus Bond N	A	Dividend	J	T					
41. -Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm	A	Dividend	J	T					
42. -AB Large CapGrowth I	A	Dividend	J	T					
43. -Franklin Small Cap Growth R6	A	Dividend	J	T					
44. -Fidelity500 Index	A	Dividend	J	T					
45. -Fidelity Mid Cap Index	A	Dividend	J	T					
46. -Fidelity US Bond Index	A	Dividend	J	T					
47. -JP Morgan U. S. Value R6	A	Dividend	J	T					
48. -OACA Match Account	A	Dividend	J	T					
49. -T. Rowe Price Stable Value Common Trst A	A	Dividend	K	T					
50. -Cohen & Steers Real Estate Securities Z (X)	A	Dividend	J	T					
51. -Fidelity Global ex U S Index (X)	A	Dividend	J	T					

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52. -Gray Television Unitized Stock (X)		None	J	T					
53. -Employer Profit Sharing (X)		None	J	T					
54. Principal Life Insurance Company (adustible life)	C	Dividend	K	T					
55. Coinbase Digital Trading Account (H)									
56. -Bitcoin digital currency		None	J	T					

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

1. Line 31 - DBGI, previously reported in 2020 Report at lines 100 and 101 as pre-IPO crowdfunding shares were transferred to my brokerage account after IPO.

2. Lines 36-53 consist of Employer managed investments. Funds were invested and withdrawn from investment funds without employee direction. Funds appearing in 2020 Report: Line 78, American Beacon Small Cp Val Inst; Line 80, Key Guaranteed Portfolio Fund; Line 83, American Funds Invmt Co of America R6; Line 84, Goldman Sachs U S Mortgages R6; Line 85, Vanguard Mid Cap Index Funds - Admiral; and, Line 88, Vanguard Large Cap Index Adm, were no longer a part of Plan during 2021.

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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/ Willie L. Sands

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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