

**FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2009**

*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) Bright, Myron H.	2. Court or Organization U.S.C.A.--Eighth Circuit	3. Date of Report 05/07/2010
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) Circuit Judge Senior Status	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) <input type="checkbox"/> Nomination, Date <input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Final 5b. <input type="checkbox"/> Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 01/01/2009 to 12/31/2009
7. Chambers or Office Address 655 First Avenue North Suite 340 Fargo, ND 58102-4952	8. On the basis of the information contained in this Report and any modifications pertaining thereto, it is, in my opinion, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Reviewing Officer _____ Date _____	

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. Sign on last page.*

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.	Director	Legal Education Fund, Inc.
2.	Director	U.S. - Asia Law Institute
3.	Trustee	Trust #1
4.		
5.		

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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.)*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>	<u>INCOME</u> <i>(yours, not spouse's)</i>
1. 2009	National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Louisville, CO (royalties)	\$981.00
2. 04/23/2009	The Missouri Bar, Jefferson City, MO (teaching fee)	\$675.00
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.)*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>
1.	
2.	
3.	
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IV. REIMBURSEMENTS *- transportation, lodging, food, entertainment.*

(Includes those to spouse and dependent children; see pp. 25-27 of filing instructions.)

NONE *(No reportable reimbursements.)*

	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>ITEMS PAID OR PROVIDED</u>
1.	Stanford University	January 15-16, 2009	Palo Alto, California	Lecture	lodging
2.	University of Cincinnati	April 3-5, 2009	Cincinnati, Ohio	Moot Court Judge	transportation, meals, and lodging
3.	The Missouri Bar	April 22-24, 2009	St. Louis, Missouri	CLE Program	meals, lodging and transportation
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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.	_____	_____	_____
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) 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-I)	(5) Identity of buyer/seller (if private transaction)
1. IRA #1	A	Int./Div.	J	T					
2. --TD Ameritrade Money Market Deposit Account									
3. --ConocoPhillips Common Stock									
4. Brokerage Account #1									
5. --Tamarack Prime Money Market Fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
6. --American Funds: Capital Income Builder Fund	B	Dividend	L	T	Sold (part)	12/28/09	J		
7. --Federated Investors: Muni & Stock Advantage Fund	B	Int./Div.	L	T	Sold (part)	12/28/09	J		
8. --Pioneer Investments: AMT-Free Municipal Fund	B	Int./Div.	L	T					
9. --American Funds: Tax Exempt Bond Fund of Am.	A	Int./Div.	K	T					
10. --Duke Realty Corp. Common Stock	A	Dividend			Sold	09/09/09	J		
11. --Idaho Housing & Finance: Sgl Family Mort.Rev.Bonds	A	Interest	J	T					
12. --UST Inc. Common Stock	A	Dividend			Sold	01/06/09	J		
13. --Wells Fargo Capital Trust IV Common Stock	A	Interest	J	T					
14. --Barclays Global Investors: IShares Trust Index Fund	A	Dividend			Sold	12/28/09	J		
15. --Investors Real Estate Trust Common Stock	A	Distribution			Sold	09/09/09	J		
16. --USB Capital X Common Stock	A	Dividend	J	T					
17. --First Trust Advisors: Preferred Income Portfolio	A	Dividend			Sold	08/25/09	J		

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 = \$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000	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 \$50,000,000	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 Trust Advisors: Inflation Hedge Series	A	Dividend			Buy	06/17/09	J		
19.					Sold	09/25/09	J	A	
20. --First Trust Advisors: Capital Strength Portfolio	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	09/09/09	J		
21. --First Trust Advisors: Canadian Energy & Income	B	Dividend	K	T	Buy	05/21/09	J		
22. --First Trust Advisors: Infrastructure Portfolio	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	02/12/09	J		
23. --First Trust Advisors: Dividend & Income	B	Dividend	J	T	Buy	07/21/09	J		
24. --First Trust Advisors: Tax Advantaged Municipal		None	K	T	Buy	12/28/09	K		
25. --First Trust Advisors: Senior Loan Plus	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	11/19/09	J		
26. Trust #1	D	Int/Div.	M	T					
27. --Tamarack Prime Money Market Fund									
28. --Grand Forks, ND: Refunding & Improvement Muni Bonds									
29. --American Funds: Capital Income Builder Fund									
30. --Franklin Templeton Inv.: Federal Tax Free Income Fund									
31. --Franklin Templeton Inv.: H-Yield Tax Free Inc. Fund									
32. --Franklin Templeton Inv.: Income Fund	B	Dividend			Sold	12/28/09	K		
33. --American Funds: Tax Exempt Bond Fund of Am.									
34. --El Paso Corp. Common Stock									

1. Income Gain Codes: (See Columns B1 and D4)	A = \$1,000 or less F = \$30,001 - \$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 I12 = 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 = \$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000	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 \$50,000,000	M = \$100,001 - \$250,000 P2 = \$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000	
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35. --First Trust Advisors: Preferred Income Portfolio									
36. --Pioneer Investments: AMT Free Municipal Fund		None	J	T	Buy	12/28/09	J		
37. --First Trust Advisors: Tax Advantaged Municipal		None	K	T	Buy	12/28/09	K		
38. --First Trust Advisors: Senior Loan Plus	A	Dividend	J	T	Buy	11/19/09	J		
39. State Bank & Trust Co. Savings Account	A	Interest	J	T					

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VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS. *(Indicate part of 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 _____

NOTE: ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILFULLY 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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