

**FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT  
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2008**

Report Required by the Ethics  
in Government Act of 1978  
(5 U.S.C. app. §§ 101-111)

<b>1. Person Reporting</b> (last name, first, middle initial)  Stearns, Richard G.	<b>2. Court or Organization</b>  U.S.D.C. Massachusetts	<b>3. Date of Report</b>  04/09/2009
<b>4. Title</b> (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time)  District Court Judge (Active)	<b>5a. Report Type</b> (check appropriate type) <input type="checkbox"/> Nomination,                      Date <input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Final <b>5b.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Amended Report	<b>6. Reporting Period</b>  01/01/2008 to 12/31/2008
<b>7. Chambers or Office Address</b>  U.S. District Court 1 Courthouse Way Boston, MA 02109	<b>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.</b>  Reviewing Officer _____ Date _____	
<p align="center"><b>IMPORTANT NOTES:</b> 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.</p>		

**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. Partner	Massachusetts Prosecutor's Guide
2. Trustee (non-compensated)	Vincent Memorial Hospital (Massachusetts General Hospital - Boston)
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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>
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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> (yours, not spouse's)
1. 2008	Massachusetts Prosecutor's Guide (Book Royalties)	\$38,937.00
2.		
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**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.	
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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. North Atlantic Treaty Org.	January 11-14, 2008	Scotland, UK	Terrorism Conference	Travel, meals and lodging
2. Merrill Corporation	February 4-5, 2008	New York, New York	Electronic Discovery	Travel, meals and lodging
3. St. Antony's College, Oxford, Pluscarden Program	March 12-15, 2008	Oxford, England	Terrorism Lecture	Travel, meals and lodging
4. North Atlantic Treaty Org.	May 21-27, 2008	Eger, Hungary	Terrorism Conference	Travel, meals and lodging
5. FREE Seminar	August 10-14, 2008	Bozeman, MT	Terrorism Lectures	Travel, meals and lodging
6. North Atlantic Treaty Org.	September 15-22, 2008	Covilha, Portugal	Terrorism Conference	Travel, meals and lodging

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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.			
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**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>
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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 Month - Day	(3) Value Code 2 (J-P)	(4) Gain Code 1 (A-H)	(5) Identity of buyer/seller (if private transaction)	
1. TECO Common	B	Dividend	K	T	None					
2. Westar Energy Common	B	Dividend	K	T	None					
3. First Energy Common	A	Dividend	K	T	None					
4. Bank of America Common	D	Dividend	K	T	None					
5. Mass. Prosecutors Guide	B	Dividend	M	T	None					
6. Bank of America MMF	A	Interest	J	T	None					
7. Bank of America MMF Savings	A	Interest	K	T	None					
8. Citizens Bank Keogh 401K	C	Interest	M	T	None					
9. State St. Bank 401K	B	Interest	N	T	None					
10. Fidelity Growth & Inc. IRA	A	Dividend	M	T	None					
11. Fidelity Equity Inc. II IRA	A	Dividend	M	T	None					
12. Fidelity Utilities Fund IRA	A	Dividend	J	T	None					
13. Bank of America IRA	B	Interest	M	T	None					
14. Rhumblin, Inc. (Boston)		None	J	U	None					
15. Fidelity Cash Reserves	A	Dividend	J	T	None					
16. Morgan Stanley MMF	A	Dividend	J	T	None					
17. Citizen's Bank Check	A	Interest	J	T	None					

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 \$5,000,000	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. Fidelity Government Bond IRA	A	Dividend	J	T	None				
19. Sun Micro Common		None	J	T	None				
20. Bank of America Check	A	Interest	J	T	None				
21. Citizens Bank Savings	A	Interest	J	T	None				

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

VII. Line 5. The Massachusetts Prosecutor's Guide portfolio is invested in Fidelity Asset Manager (K), Fidelity Equity Income II (K), Fidelity Growth & Income (J), and Fidelity Spartan U.S. Treasury (k), all mutual funds.

VII. Line 8. This Citizens Bank Keogh Account is invested in Certificates of Deposit.

VII. Line 9. This 401K Retirement Plan is invested in State Street Bank stock and money market instruments.

VII. Line 13. This IRA Plan is invested in a Certificate of Deposit.

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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)**

### FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Mail signed original and 3 additional copies to:

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Administrative Office of the United States Courts  
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Washington, D.C. 20544