

**FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT  
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2004**

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

1. Person Reporting (Last name, First name, Middle initial) Otero, Samuel J	2. Court or Organization U.S. District Court	3. Date of Report 5/5/2005
4. Title (Article III Judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U.S. District Judge, Active	5. Report Type (check appropriate type) <input type="radio"/> Nomination,      Date <input type="radio"/> Initial <input checked="" type="radio"/> Annual <input type="radio"/> Final	6. Reporting Period 1/1/2004 to 12/31/2004
7. Chambers or Office Address United States District Court 312 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012	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 - resigned 02-04	Salesian Boys and Girls Club and Salesian Family Youth Center
2.	
3.	

**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. 2003	California Judges Retirement Plan; Pension Upon Retirement, Age 63
2. 1988	Los Angeles Employees Retirement Plan; Pension Upon Retirement, Age 55

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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.)

DATE

SOURCE AND TYPE

GROSS INCOME

(yours, not spouse's)

1.

### B. Spouse's Non-Investment Income - (If you were married during any portion of the reporting year, please complete this section. Dollar amount not required except for honoraria.)

NONE - (No reportable non-investment income.)

DATE

SOURCE AND TYPE

1.

Los Angeles Unified School District

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

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

NONE - (No such reportable reimbursements.)

SOURCE

DESCRIPTION

1.

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## V. GIFTS. (Includes those to spouse and dependent children. See pp. 28-31 of instructions.)

NONE - (No such reportable gifts.)

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
1. Lenny Tervera (friend)	baseball tickets	\$480

## VI. LIABILITIES. (Includes those of spouse and dependent children. See pp. 32-34 of instructions.)

NONE - (No reportable liabilities.)

<u>CREDITOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VALUE CODE</u>
1. Bank of America	Student Loan	J
2. Stanford University	Student Loan	K
3. Sallie Mae	Student Loan	K
4.		

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## VII. INVESTMENTS and TRUSTS — income, value, transactions (includes those of the spouse and dependent children. See pp. 34-57 of filing instructions.)

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, merger, redemption)	If not exempt from disclosure			
						(2) Date: Month- Day	(3) Value Code 2 (J-P)	(4) Gain Code 1 (A-H)	(5) Identity of buyer/seller (if private transaction)
<input type="checkbox"/> NONE (No reportable income, assets, or transactions)									
1. Franklin California Tax Free Income Fund	A	Dividend	K	T	None				
2. Galliard Stable Value (LA Def. Comp. Wash. Mutual Liquid)	A	Interest			redemption	01/23	K		
3. F.I. Roth Retirement Account F.I. Cash Management Fund A	B	Dividend			redemption	01/05	K		
4. First Investors Investment Grade Fund A	A	Dividend	K	T	None				
5. First Investors Fund for Income	B	Dividend	K	T	None				
6. First Investors Blue Chip Fund A		None	L	T	None				
7. First Investors Government Fund	B	Dividend	K	T	None				
8. Oppenheimer Discovery Fund	B	Dividend	J	T	None				
9. Oppenheimer Equity Fund	B	Dividend	J	T	None				
10. Aviva Life Insurance Strategy Select	A	Dividend	K	T	None				
11. Great American Life Insurance	A	Interest	J	T	None				
12. Government Securities Investment Fund X TSP									
13. Common Stock Index Investment Fund X TSP									
14. Small Cap. Index X TSP									
15. United States Savings Bond	A	Interest	J	T	None				
16. Washington Mutual Bank Joint Accounts	A	Interest	J	T	None				
17. L.A. Federal Credit Union Joint Accounts	A	Interest	J	T	None				
18.									

1. Income/Gain Codes: 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; H = \$1,000,001-\$5,000,000; I = More than \$5,000,000

2. Value Codes: J = \$15,000 or less; K = \$15,001-\$50,000; L = \$50,001-\$100,000; M = \$100,001-\$250,000; N = \$250,000-\$500,000; O = \$500,001-\$1,000,000; P = \$1,000,001-\$5,000,000; Q = \$5,000,001-\$25,000,000; R = More than \$25,000,000

3. Value Method Codes: Q = Appraisal; R = Cost (Real Estate Only); S = Assessment; T = Cash/Market; U = Book Value; V = Other; W = Estimated

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22.									
23.									

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(See Columns B1 and D4)	F = \$50,001 - \$100,000	G = \$100,001 - \$1,000,000	H = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	I = More than \$5,000,000	
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(See Columns C1 and D3)	N = \$250,000 - \$500,000	O = \$500,001 - \$1,000,000	P1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	P2 = \$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000	
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## VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR EXPLANATIONS

(Indicate part of Report.)

1. Washington Mutual Investors Fund and Income Fund of America listed in Part VII on page 1 of my 2003 Report were not reported in Part VII page 1 of my 2004 Report. These funds were redeemed prior to the 2003 reporting period and should not have been included in the 2003 Report.

2. Items 5 through 10 reported in Part VII page 1 of my 2003 Report were not reported in my 2004 Report. These funds were rolled over on 08-11-03 into the First Investors Funds.

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

Signature



Date

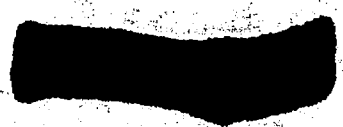
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**NOTE: ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILFULLY FALSIFIES OR FAILS TO FILE THIS REPORT MAY BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL AND CRIMINAL SANCTIONS (5 U.S.C. app. § 104)**

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS****Mail signed original and 3 additional copies to:**

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Administrative Office of the United States Courts  
Suite 2-301  
One Columbus Circle, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20544**

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