

**FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2008**

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) Merryday, Steven D.	2. Court or Organization Middle District of Florida	3. Date of Report 05/14/2009
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) U.S. District Judge (Active)	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 01/01/2008 to 12/31/2008
7. Chambers or Office Address 801 N. Florida Avenue Tampa, FL 33602	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 _____	
<p align="center">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.</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.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____
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> (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.)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

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. Tampa Bay Chapter of the Federal Bar Association	5/21/08 through 5/23/08	Orlando, Florida	Panelist--Sent. Seminar	hotel, incidentals, telephone calls, meals, mileage
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

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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.		
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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				
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1. IRA (Capital Securities of America (I) (De tails Follow)	D	Dividend	O	T					
2. Research (RIMM)		None			Sold	1/2	L	A	
3. Apollo Group (APOL)		None			Buy	1/31	K		
4. Black Rock (BLK)		None			Buy	1/31	L		
5. Apollo Group (APOL)		None			Sold	2/5	K	A	
6. Black Rock (BLK)		None			Sold	2/5	L	A	
7. I-Shares (IYT)	A	Dividend			Buy	3/24	K		
8. Spdr Homebldrs (XHB)		None			Buy	3/24	K		
9. Ultra QQQ (QLD)		None			Buy	3/24	K		
10. Ultra S&P (SSO)	A	Dividend			Buy	3/24	K		
11. Ultra QQQ (QLD)		None			Sold	3/28	K	A	
12. I-Shares (IYT)		None			Sold	4/9	K	A	
13. Spdr Homebldrs (XHB)		None			Sold	4/9	K	A	
14. Ultra S&P (SSO)		None			Sold	4/9	K	A	
15. Companhia (SID)		None			Buy	4/16	K		
16. First Solar (FSLR)		None			Buy	4/16	K		
17. Deere (DE)		None			Buy	4/16	K		

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
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35. Dryships (DRYS)		None			Buy	5/2	K		
36. Steel (X)		None			Buy	5/2	L		
37. Euronext (NYX)		None			Buy	5/6	K		
38. Dryships (DRYS)		None			Sold	5/7	K	A	
39. I-Shares (FXI)		None			Sold	5/7	L	A	
40. Steel (X)		None			Sold	5/7	K	A	
41. Caterpillar (CAT)		None			Buy	5/12	L		
42. Mastercard (MA)		None			Buy	5/14	K		
43. Euronext (NYX)		None			Sold	5/19	K	A	
44. Baidu (BIDU)		None			Buy	5/19	L		
45. Mastercard (MA)		None			Buy (add'l)	5/19	K		
46. Caterpillar (CAT)		None			Sold	5/20	L	A	
47. Research (RIMM)		None			Sold	5/20	L	C	
48. Baidu (BIDU)		None			Sold	5/21	L	A	
49. Mastercard (MA)		None			Sold	5/21	L	A	
50. Sohu (SOHU)		None			Sold	5/21	K	C	
51. Agrium (AGU)		None			Buy	6/5	K		

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52. Potash (POT)		None			Buy	6/5	K		
53. Agrium (AGU)		None			Sold	6/9	K	A	
54. Potash (POT)		None			Sold	6/9	K	A	
55. Power (QQQQ)		None			Buy	8/6	K		
56. Power (QQQQ)		None			Buy (add'l)	8/11	K		
57. Spdr Trust (SPY)		None			Buy	8/11	L		
58. Power (QQQQ)		None			Sold	8/13	L	A	
59. Spdr Trust (SPY)		None			Sold	8/13	L	A	
60. Proshares (SDS)		None			Buy	9/4	K		
61. Proshares (SKF)		None			Buy	9/4	K		
62. Proshares (SDS)		None			Sold	9/5	K	A	
63. Proshares (SKF)		None			Sold	9/5	K	A	
64. Spdr Trust (SPY)		None			Buy	10/16	L		
65. Spdr Trust (SPY)		None			Sold	10/22	L	A	
66. Diamond (DIA)		None			Buy	10/28	K		
67. Diamond (DIA)		None			Sold	10/29	K	A	
68. I-Shares (FXI)		None			Buy	11/26	K		

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69. Holders (OIH)		None			Buy	11/26	K		
70. Holders (OIH)		None			Sold	11/28	K	A	
71. I-Shares (FXI)		None			Sold	12/1	K	A	
72. Power (ETF)		None			Buy	12/8	K		
73. Power (ETF)	A	Dividend			Sold	12/29	K	A	
74. Tampa Rental Property (2)		None	M	S					
75. Wachovia (MMarket Accts)	B	Interest	K	T					

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

(1) Same IRA as in earlier years; custodian is Capital Securities.

(2) Assessed value is \$162,609. Market value is somewhat more. In years prior to 1996, this real estate was not held for rental; it is my former home on a lake front. I have owned it since 1982. I rented it for the first time in 1996 and ceased renting in August, 1997; hence it appears on the form. The property is unrented and for sale.

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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 _____

A large black rectangular redaction box covers the signature area.

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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