

**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) Benton, William D	2. Court or Organization U.S. Court of Appeals, 8th Cir	3. Date of Report 4/26/2005
4. Title (Article III Judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) Circuit Judge (active)	5. Report Type (check appropriate type) <input type="radio"/> Nomination, <input type="radio"/> 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 U.S. Courthouse 400 E. 9th St. Kansas City MO 64106	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.)

POSITION	NAME OF ORGANIZATION/ENTITY
1. Judge	Supreme Court of Missouri
2. Adjunct Professor	Westminster College
3. Adjunct Professor	University of Missouri School of Law

II. AGREEMENTS. (Reporting individual only; see pp. 14-16 of filing instructions)

NONE - (No reportable agreements.)

DATE	PARTIES AND TERMS
1. 2004	Judicial retirement, State of Missouri. I am vested and will receive, beginning in 2010, one-half the compensation in effect in 2004.

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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>GROSS INCOME</u> (yours, not spouse's)
1.	2004	Supreme Court of Missouri - salary as state judge	\$62,703
2.	2004	Westminster College - teaching	\$6,356

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 boater's.) NONE - (No reportable non-investment income.)

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>
1.	2004	School District of Jefferson City - salary

IV. REIMBURSEMENTS - transportation, lodging, food, entertainment

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

 NONE - (No such reportable reimbursements.)

	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1.	John Marshall Law School	Oct 15-16 - Chicago IL - moot court (travel and room)
2.	American Legion	Oct 29-31 - Indianapolis IN - oratorical conference (travel, meals, and room)

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

NONE - (No such reportable gifts.)

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

NONE - (No reportable liabilities.)

CREDITOR

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1. Custer & Co. Inc.

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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 price 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. rest. 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. TALX common stock	A	Dividend	M	T					
2. GE common stock	A	Dividend	J	T					
3. St. Charles Co. Municipal bond- water district #2	A	Interest			sold	2/1	J	A	
4. Northeast Independent School District TX bond	A	Interest	J	T					
5. Federated American Leaders Fund B	A	Dividend	J	T					
6. Oppenheimer Main Street Fund A	A	Dividend	J	T					
7. Wells Fargo Small Cap Fund A (Montgomery County)	A	Dividend	J	T					
8. US Bankcorp common stock	A	Dividend	J	T					
9. Catalyst Int'l common stock	A	Dividend			sold	9/10	J	A	
10. WorldCom common stock		None			bankrupt	6/10	J	A	
11. MOST 529 plan fund	A	Dividend	J	T					
12. Missouri state 457 deferred compensation plan	A	Dividend	K	T					
13. AIG American General universal life policy	D	Interest	M	T	part redempt	10/16	K	D	
14. IRA # 1	A	Dividend	K	T					
15. - TALX common stock									
16. - FT Unit 682 small cap fund					sold	10/14	K	A	
17. - Hewlett Packard common stock									
18. - Evergreen Money Market fund A									

1. Income/Gain Codes:	A = \$1,000 or less	B = \$1,001-\$2,500	C = \$2,501-\$6,000	D = \$5,001-\$15,000	E = \$15,001-\$50,000
(See Columns B1 and D4)	F = \$50,001-\$100,000	G = \$100,001-\$1,000,000	H1 = \$1,000,001-\$5,000,000	H2 = More than \$5,000,000	
2. Value Codes:	J = \$15,000 or less	K = \$15,001-\$60,000	L = \$60,001-\$100,000	M = \$100,001-\$250,000	
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3. Value Method Codes:	Q = Appraisal	R = Cost (Real Estate Only)	S = Assessment	T = Cash/Market	
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19. - WorldCom common stock					bankrupt	6/10	J	A	
20. IRA # 2	A	Dividend	L	T					
21. - TALX common stock									
22. - WalMart common stock									
23. - Hewlett Packard common stock									
24. - FT Unit 682 small cap fund					sold	10/14	J	A	
25. - Federated American Leaders fund B									
26. - Evergreen Money Market fund A									
27. Charter Communications common stock	A	Dividend	J	T	bought	2/2	J		
28. El Paso Corp. common stock	A	Dividend	J	T	bought	10/6	J		
29. IMAX Corp. common stock	A	Dividend	K	T	bought	9/17	K		
30. Lucent Technologies common stock	A	Dividend	K	T	bought	3/12	K		
31. Revlon A Inc. common stock	A	Dividend	J	T	bought	9/17	J		
32. IMC Global Inc. common stock	A	Dividend			bought	2/2	K		
33.					sold	3/31	K	D	
34.					bought	5/4	K		
35.					sold	8/11	K	C	
36. Crown Castle Int'l Corp. common stock	A	Dividend			bought	8/13	K		

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37.					sold	9/17	K	C	
38. Mantech Int'l Corp. A common stock	A	Dividend			bought	9/17	K		
39.					sold	10/6	K	B	

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

Part III

I receive no income from University of Missouri School of Law.

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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

5/12/04

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

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