

# FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT

Calendar Year 2003

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) Tyson, Ralph E	2. Court or Organization Middle District of Louisiana	3. Date of Report 8/17/2004
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 1/1/2003 to 12/31/2003
7. Chambers or Office Address Russell B. Long Federal Bldg. 777 Florida Street, Suite 301 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801	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. Board Member	General Health System

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

NONE - (No reportable agreements.)

DATE	PARTIES AND TERMS
1.	

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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.		

**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.)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE AND TYPE</u>
1. 2003	East Baton Rouge Parish School Board

**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.	

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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.		

**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. Sallie Mae Servicing Corporation	Student Loans	K
2. U.S. Department of Education	Student Loans	K
3. Southern Teachers and Parents Federal Credit Union	Real estate mortgage	L

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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"/> <b>NONE</b> (No reportable income, assets, or transactions)									
1. Merrill Lynch IRA composed of the following assets:									
2. Blackrock Core Bond Portfolio, Class B	A	Interest	J	T	None				
3. Blackrock Select Equity Portfolio Class B		None	K	T	None				
4. Blackrock Small Capital Value Equity Portfolio Class B		None	J	T	None				
5. Gam International Fund Class B		None	J	T	None				
6. John Hancock Financial Industries Fund Class B		None	J	T	None				
7. Seligman High Yield Bond Fund Class B	A	Interest	J	T	None				
8. Merrill Lynch Retirement Reserves Fund Class I	A	Interest	J	T	None				

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  
 (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  
 Value Codes: J = \$15,000 or less K = \$15,001-\$50,000 L = \$50,001-\$100,000 M = \$100,001-\$250,000  
 (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  
 P3 = \$25,000,001-\$50,000,000 P4 = \$More than \$50,000,000  
 Value Method Codes: Q = Appraisal R = Cost (Real Estate Only) S = Assessment T = Cash/Market  
 (See Column C2) U = Book Value V = Other W = Estimated

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

Signature



Date

8/17/04

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)

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