

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA 15219

CATHY BISsoon

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

(412) 208-7460

January 5, 2011

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have reviewed the Senate Questionnaire I previously submitted in connection with my nomination on November 17, 2010, to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania. Incorporating the additional information listed below, I certify that the information contained in those documents is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

Q. 13b -- Citations

I have attached a list of opinions I have issued since my November, 2010 Senate Questionnaire.

I also am forwarding an updated Net Worth Statement and Financial Report as requested in the Questionnaire. I thank the Committee for its consideration of my nomination.

Sincerely,



Cathy Bissoon
U.S. Magistrate Judge

Cc:
The Honorable Charles Grassley
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Written Opinions Report

U.S. District Court -- Western District of Pennsylvania
Filed Report Period: 11/17/2010 - 1/3/2011

Date Filed:	Case Number & Name:	Doc. #	Description:	Notes:
11/18/2010	<u>3:09-cv-00085-CB</u> CAMESI et al v. UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH MEDICAL CENTER et al	<u>427</u>	Order	<i>Office:</i> Johnstown <i>Case Flags:</i> MEDIATION <i>NOS:</i> Labor: Fair Standards <i>Cause:</i> 29:201 Fair Labor Standards Act <i>Judge:</i> Cathy Bissoon
11/23/2010	<u>3:10-cv-00207-KRG-CB</u> DAVIS v. ROZUM et al	<u>28</u>	Order on Motion for Miscellaneous Relief, Order on Motion for Order to Show Cause, Order on Motion to Appoint Counsel	<i>Office:</i> Johnstown <i>Case Flags:</i> DAD <i>NOS:</i> Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Condition) <i>Cause:</i> 42:1983pr Prisoner Civil Rights <i>Judge:</i> Cathy Bissoon
11/24/2010	<u>2:10-cv-00697-NBF-CB</u> BLOUNT et al v. FOLINO	<u>67</u>	Order on Motion for Default Judgment, Order on Motion for Extension of Time to File Answer, Order on Motion for Leave to File, Order on Motion for Preliminary Injunction, Order on Motion to Appoint Counsel, Order on Motion to Stay	<i>Office:</i> Pittsburgh <i>Case Flags:</i> DAD <i>NOS:</i> Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Condition) <i>Cause:</i> 42:1983pr Prisoner Civil Rights <i>Judge:</i> Cathy Bissoon
	<u>2:10-cv-00722-DWA -CB</u> POOLE v. MARKS et al	<u>29</u>	Order on Motion for More Definite Statement	<i>Office:</i> Pittsburgh <i>Case Flags:</i> MLW <i>NOS:</i> Civil Rights: Other <i>Cause:</i> 42:1983 Civil Rights Act <i>Judge:</i> Cathy Bissoon
12/03/2010	<u>2:09-cv-00016-CB</u> KEEHN v. C/O	<u>44</u>	Order on Motion for Partial Summary Judgment	<i>Office:</i> Pittsburgh <i>Case Flags:</i>

	LUCAS et al			CONMAG, MR NOS: Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Condition) Cause: 42:1983 Civil Rights Act Judge: Cathy Bissoon
	<u>2:09-cv-00426-GLL</u> -CB CROCK v. CITY/TOWN OR BORO OF MT. LEBANON, PENNA. et al	<u>50</u>	Report and Recommendation	Office: Pittsburgh NOS: Civil Rights: Other Cause: 42:1983 Civil Rights Act Judge: Cathy Bissoon
	<u>2:10-cv-00722-</u> <u>DWA -CB</u> POOLE v. MARKS et al	<u>36</u>	Report and Recommendation	Office: Pittsburgh Case Flags: MLW NOS: Civil Rights: Other Cause: 42:1983 Civil Rights Act Judge: Cathy Bissoon
12/09/2010	<u>2:10-cv-00697-NBF</u> -CB BLOUNT et al v. FOLINO	<u>73</u>	Order on Motion for Miscellaneous Relief	Office: Pittsburgh Case Flags: DAD NOS: Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Condition) Cause: 42:1983pr Prisoner Civil Rights Judge: Cathy Bissoon
	<u>2:10-cv-00949-CB</u> ADAMCHIK v. COMPSERVICES, INC.	<u>16</u>	Order on Motion to Dismiss	Office: Pittsburgh NOS: Civil Rights: Americans with Disabilities - Employment Cause: 42:12101 The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 Judge: Cathy Bissoon
12/10/2010	<u>2:10-cv-00165-CB</u> POWE v. OFFICER	<u>19</u>	Order	Office: Pittsburgh Case Flags: CLOSED, DAD

	SHOVLIN et al			NOS: Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Condition) Cause: 42:1983pr Prisoner Civil Rights Judge: Cathy Bissoon
	<u>2:10-cv-01080-CB</u> AFCO CARGO PIT LLC v. DHL EXPRESS (USA), INC.	<u>29</u>	Order on Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings	Office: Pittsburgh NOS: Contract: Other Cause: 28:1332 Diversity-Other Contract Judge: Cathy Bissoon
12/13/2010	<u>2:08-cv-00122-CB</u> CALDWELL v. FOLINO et al	<u>108</u>	Order on Motion for Entry of Default, Order on Motion for Leave to File, Order on Motion for Reconsideration	Office: Pittsburgh Case Flags: CONMAG, MR NOS: Prisoner: Civil Rights Cause: 42:1983pr Prisoner Civil Rights Judge: Cathy Bissoon
12/17/2010	<u>2:10-cv-00390- NBF-CB</u> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA v. VARIOUS MONEY ORDERS	<u>20</u>	Order	Office: Pittsburgh NOS: Drug Related Seizure of Property Cause: 21:881 Forfeiture Property-Drugs Judge: Cathy Bissoon
12/23/2010	<u>2:09-cv-00247-CB</u> ROBINSON v. SOBINA et al	<u>37</u>	Order on Motion to Dismiss	Office: Pittsburgh Case Flags: DAD NOS: Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Condition) Cause: 42:1983pr Prisoner Civil Rights Judge: Cathy Bissoon

Total number of opinions reported: 14

Selection Criteria for Report

Case Number	All
Judge	Bissoon, Cathy
Office	All
Case Type	All
Case Flags	All
Nature of Suit	All
Cause	All
Filed Date	11/17/2010 - 1/3/2011
Sort by	Date Filed

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORT NOMINATION FILING

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) Bissoon, Cathy	2. Court or Organization US District Court for the Western District of Pa.	3. Date of Report 1/5/2011
4. Title (Article III judges indicate active or senior status; magistrate judges indicate full- or part-time) District Judge	5a. Report Type (check appropriate type) ☒ Nomination, Date 01/05/2011 ☐ Initial ☐ Annual ☐ Final 5b. ☐ Amended Report	6. Reporting Period 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010
7. Chambers or Office Address US Courthouse & Post Office 700 Grant Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219	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	Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium
2. Director	Mt. Lebanon Teen Center
3.	
4.	
5.	

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. 2010	Medrad, Inc. -- Wages
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. Exempt	Exempt			
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.	Exempt	Exempt	
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.			
5.			

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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 mm/dd/yy	(3) Value Code 2 (J-P)	(4) Gain Code 1 (A-H)	(5) Identity of buyer/seller (if private transaction)
1. First Niagara (form. National City Bank) (Savings/CD)	D	Interest	L	T					
2. Allegent Community Federal Credit Union (Savings/CD)	A	Interest	J	T					
3. Fidelity Bank (Savings/CD)	A	Interest	L	T					
4. IRA #1									
5. - Baron Growth Fund	D	Dividend	K	T					
6. - CitiBank NA Bank Deposit Program	A	Interest	J	T					
7. - American Century International Bond		None	J	T					
8. - Dreyfus Emerging Mkts Fund Class A	E	Dividend	L	T					
9. - Eaton Vance Large Cap Value Fund Class A	E	Dividend	L	T					
10. - Janus Forty Fund (form. Janus Adviser Forty Fund) Class S	D	Dividend	L	T					
11. - Pimco Total Return Fund Class D	D	Dividend	L	T					
12. - Royce Premier Fund	E	Dividend	J	T					
13. - Western Asset Gov't Money Market	B	Dividend	J	T					
14. - Thornburg Int'l Value Fund Class A	B	Dividend	K	T					
15. Brokerage Account #1									
16. - Capital World Growth and Income Fund Class A	A	Dividend	J	T					
17. - Growth Fund America Class A	A	Dividend	K	T					

1. Income Gain Codes:
(See Columns B1 and D4)

A = \$1,000 or less

F = \$50,001 - \$100,000

J = \$15,000 or less

N = \$250,001 - \$500,000

P3 = \$25,000,001 - \$50,000,000

2. Value Codes
(See Columns C1 and D3)

Q = Appraisal

U = Book Value

3. Value Method Codes
(See Column C2)

B = \$1,001 - \$2,500

G = \$100,001 - \$1,000,000

K = \$15,001 - \$50,000

O = \$500,001 - \$1,000,000

R = Cost (Real Estate Only)

V = Other

C = \$2,501 - \$5,000

H1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000

L = \$50,001 - \$100,000

P1 = \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000

P4 = More than \$50,000,000

S = Assessment

W = Estimated

D = \$5,001 - \$15,000

H2 = More than \$5,000,000

M = \$100,001 - \$250,000

P2 = \$5,000,001 - \$25,000,000

T = Cash Market

E = \$15,001 - \$50,000

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18. - New Perspective Fund Class A	A	Dividend	K	T					
19. - Washington Mutual Investors Fund Class A	A	Dividend	K	T					
20. - CitiBank NA Bank Deposit Program	A	Interest	J	T					
21. Ally Bank (Savings)	A	Interest	J	T					
22. The Walt Disney Company	A	Dividend	J	T					
23. Pet Ecology Brands (Common)		None	J	T					
24. HSBC (Savings)	A	Interest			Exempt				
25. Biomass Secure Power (form. Virtual Media Holdings) (common)		None	J	T					
26. College Inv. Dir. Portfolio Coll. Sav. Plan Moderate	D	Int./Div.	L	T					
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2. Value Codes

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

****In Section VII, when the abbreviation "form." is used, it is to mean "formerly known as" or "formerly."**

****In Section VII, entry 13, "Western Asset Government Money Market" is formerly known as "Western Asset Government Money Market Exchange."**

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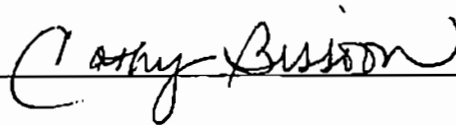
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IX. CERTIFICATION.

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:

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT**NET WORTH**

Provide a complete, current financial net worth statement which itemizes in detail all assets (including bank accounts, real estate, securities, trusts, investments, and other financial holdings) all liabilities (including debts, mortgages, loans, and other financial obligations) of yourself, your spouse, and other immediate members of your household.

ASSETS				LIABILITIES			
Cash on hand and in banks		922	537	Notes payable to banks-secured			
U.S. Government securities--Series EE bonds		3	200	Notes payable to banks-unsecured			
Listed securities -- see schedule		577	339	Notes payable to relatives			
Unlisted securities -- see schedule			59	Notes payable to others			
Accounts and notes receivable:				Accounts and bills due			
Due from relatives and friends				Unpaid income tax			
Due from others				Other unpaid income and interest			
Doubtful				Real estate mortgages payable -- see schedule		188	712
Real estate owned -- see schedule		600	000	Chattel mortgages and other liens payable			
Real estate mortgages receivable				Other debts-itemize:			
Autos and other personal property		34	725				
Cash value-life insurance		72	965				
Other assets itemize:							
				Total liabilities		188	712
				Net Worth	2	022	113
Total Assets	2	210	825	Total liabilities and net worth	2	210	825
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES				GENERAL INFORMATION			
As endorser, comaker or guarantor on leases or contracts				Are any assets pledged? (Add schedule)	NO		
Legal Claims				Are you defendant in any suits or legal actions?	NO		
Provision for Federal Income Tax				Have you ever taken bankruptcy?	NO		
Other special debt							

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

NET WORTH SCHEDULES

Listed Securities

Walt Disney common stock	\$ 457
Baron Growth Fund	16,396
American Century Int'l Fund	6,872
Dreyfus Emerging Mkts Fund Class A	63,763
Eaton Vance Large Cap Value Fund Class A	70,136
Janus Forty Fund Class S	99,334
Pimco Total Return Fund Class D	57,028
Royce Premier Fund	8,185
Western Asset Govt' Money Market	5,930
Thornburg Int'l Value fund Class A	48,877
Capital World Growth and Income Fund Class A	6,790
Growth Fund America Class A	19,250
New Perspective Fund Class A	28,287
Washington Mutual Investor Fund Class A	22,351
College Inv. Dir. Portfolio College Saving Plan (Moderate Growth)	61,772
College Inv. Dir. Portfolio College Saving Plan (Moderate Growth)	61,911
Total Listed Securities	\$ 577,339

Unlisted Securities

PECD (Pet Ecology Brands, Inc.)	\$14
BMSPPF (Biomass Secure Power, Inc.)	45
Total Unlisted Securities	\$59

Real Estate Owned

Personal residence	\$ 300,000
Second residence	300,000
Total Real Estate Owned	\$ 600,000

Real Estate Mortgages Payable

Personal residence	\$ 64,225
Second residence	124,487
Total Real Estate Mortgages Payable	\$ 188,712