

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

State/District officials file with:  
John Thurston, Secretary of State  
500 Woodlane Street  
Little Rock, AR 72201  
Phone (501) 682-5070  
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Calendar year covered 2025  
(Note: Filing covers the previous calendar year)

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this form contact:  
Arkansas Ethics Commission  
Phone (501) 324-9600  
Toll Free (800) 422-7773

Is this an amendment?  Yes  No

Please provide complete information. If the information requested in a particular section does not apply to you, indicate such by noting "Not Applicable" in that section. Do not leave any part of this form blank. If additional space is needed, you may attach the information to this document. Do not file this form with the Arkansas Ethics Commission.

## SECTION 1- NAME AND ADDRESS

Name Newton Gretchen Rene'  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
Address 17 Windrush Point Little Rock AR 72211  
(Street or P.O. Box Number) (City) (State) (Zip Code)  
Phone 501-253-5212

Spouse's name Newton Brian Franklin  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

All names under which you and/or your spouse do business: Gretchen Newton, Brian Newton

## SECTION 2- REASON FOR FILING

- Public Official n/a  
(office held)
- Candidate n/a  
(office sought)
- District Judge n/a  
(name of district)
- City Attorney n/a  
(name of city)
- State Government: Agency Head/Department Director/Division Director Arkansas Rehabilitation Services BEU Director  
(name of agency/department/division)
- Chief of Staff or Chief Deputy n/a  
(name of Constitutional Officer, Senate, or House of Representatives)
- Public appointee to State Board or Commission n/a  
(name of board/commission)
- School Board member n/a  
(name of school district)
- Candidate for school board n/a  
(name of school district)
- Public or Charter School Superintendent n/a  
(name of school district/school)
- Executive Director of Education Service Cooperative n/a  
(name of cooperative)
- Advertising and Promotion Commission member n/a  
(name of advertising and promotion commission)
- Research Park Authority Board member under A.C.A. § 14-144-201 et seq. n/a  
(name of research park authority board)

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Secretary of State**

**SECTION 2- REASON FOR FILING (continued)**

- Appointee to one of the following municipal, county or regional boards or commissions (list name of board or commission):
- Planning board or commission n/a
  - Airport board or commission n/a
  - Water or Sewer board or commission n/a
  - Utility board or commission n/a
  - Civil Service commission n/a

**SECTION 3- SOURCE OF INCOME**

List each employer and/or each other source of income from which you, your spouse, or any other person for the use or benefit of you or your spouse receives gross income amounting to more than \$1,000. (You are not required to disclose the individual items of income that constitute a portion of the gross income of the business or profession from which you or you spouse derives income. For example: accountants, attorneys, farmers, contractors, etc. do not have to list their individual clients.) If you receive gross income exceeding \$1,000 from at least one source, the answer N/A is not correct.

- a) Check appropriate box:       More than \$1,000                       More than \$12,500

\_\_\_\_\_ (name of employer or source of income)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (address)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name under which income received)

Provide a brief description of the nature of the services for which the compensation was received \_\_\_\_\_

- b) Check appropriate box:       More than \$1,000                      X  More than \$12,500

State of Arkansas  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name of employer or source of income)  
1 Commerce way Little Rock, Arkansas  
\_\_\_\_\_ (address)  
Gretchen Newton  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name under which income received)

Provide a brief description of the nature of the services for which the compensation was received State Employee

- c) Check appropriate box:       More than \$1,000                      X  More than \$12,500

Brian Newton Consulting  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name of employer or source of income)  
17 Windrush Point Little Rock, AR 72211  
\_\_\_\_\_ (address)  
Brian Newton  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name under which income received)

Provide a brief description of the nature of the services for which the compensation was received Consulting and Medical Supplies

**SECTION 4- BUSINESS OR HOLDINGS**

List the name of every business in which you, your spouse or any other person for the use or benefit of you or your spouse have an investment or holding. Individual stock holdings should be disclosed. Figures should be based on fair market value at the end of the reporting period.

a) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Abbott Laboratories

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

100 Abbott Park Rd. Abbott Park, Illinois, 60064-3500

(address)

Brian Franklin Newton

(name under which investment held)

b) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
JP Morgan

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

270 Park Avenue, New York, NY

(address)

Brian Franklin Newton

(name under which investment held)

c) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Lowe's

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

1000 Lowe's Blvd. Mooresville, NC 28117

(address)

Brian Franklin Newton

(name under which investment held)

d) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Align Technologies

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

410 North Scottsdale Road, Suite 1300 Tempe, Arizona 85281

(address)

Brian Franklin Newton

(name under which investment held)

e) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Auto Desk

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

111 McInnis Parkway San Rafael, CA 94903

(address)

Brian Franklin Newton

(name under which investment held)

f) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Exxon

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

5959 Las Coninas Blvd. Irving TX

(address)

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a) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Apple Inc

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

1 Apple Park Way, Cupertino, AC 95014

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

b) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Berkshire Hathaway Inc

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

3555 Farnam St Omaha, NE 68131

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

c) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Duke Energy Corporation

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

526 N Church St. Charlotte, NC 28202

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

d) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Linde PLC

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

Forge 43 Church Street West, Working England GU216HT

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

e) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
McDonalds Corp

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

110 N Carpenter St, Chicago, IL 60607

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

f) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
PepsiCo Inc

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

700 Anderson Hill road Purchase, New York 10577

(address)

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a) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Pfizer Inc

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

66 Hudson Boulevard East, New York, NY 10001-2192

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

b) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Shell PLC

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

Shell Centre, Belvedere Rd, London SE1 7NA

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

c) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

d) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
Amazon.com.inc

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

410 Terry Avenue North Seattle, WA

(address)

Gretchen R. Newton

(name under which investment held)

e) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

(address)

(name under which investment held)

f) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500

(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

(address)

(name under which investment held)









**SECTION 14- SIGNATURE**

I certify under penalty of false swearing that the above information is true and correct.

*Peterson R. Newton*  
Signature

STATE OF ARKANSAS

COUNTY OF Pulaski } ss

Subscribed and sworn before me this 4 day of January, 2025

*Caprisha Delph*  
Notary Public



My commission expires: 8/2/2034

Note: If faxed, notary seal must be legible (i.e., either stamped or raised and inked) and the original must follow within ten (10) days pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 21-8-703(b)(3).

**IMPORTANT**

**Where to file:**

- State or district candidates/public servants file with the Secretary of State.
- Appointees to state boards/commissions file with the Secretary of State.
- County, township, and school district candidates/public servants file with the county clerk.
- Municipal candidates/public servants file with the city clerk or recorder, as the case may be.
- City attorneys file with the city clerk of the municipality in which they serve.
- District judges file with the Secretary of State.
- Members of regional boards or commissions file with the county clerk of the county in which they reside.

**General Information:**

- \* The Statement of Financial Interest should be filed by January 31 of each year.
- \* The filing covers the previous calendar year.
- \* Candidates for elective office shall file the Statement of Financial Interest for the previous calendar year on the first Monday following the close of the period to file as a candidate for elective office unless already filed by January 31. In addition, if the party filing period ends before January 1 of the year of the general election, candidates for elective office shall file a Statement of Financial Interest for the previous calendar year by no later than January 31 of the year of the general election.
- \* Agency heads, department directors, and division directors of state government shall file the Statement of Financial Interest within thirty (30) days of appointment or employment unless already filed by January 31.
- \* Appointees to state boards or commissions shall file the Statement of Financial Interest within thirty (30) days after appointment unless already filed by January 31.
- \* If a person is included in any category listed above for any part of a calendar year, that person shall file a Statement of Financial Interest covering that period of time regardless of whether they have left their office or position as of the date the statement is due.