

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
 Fax (501) 682-3548

Calendar year covered 2024
 (Note: Filing covers the previous calendar year)

For assistance in completing
 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 Smith, James William
(Last) (First) (Middle)


Address 501 W. Central Avenue, Bentonville, Arkansas 72712
(Street or P.O. Box Number) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone (479) 871-5150

Spouse's name Hurst, Rebecca B.
(Last) (First) (Middle)

All names under which you and/or your spouse do business: James W. Smith, PA.; Rebecca B. Hurst, PA.; Smith Hurst, PLC; SHEON, LLC; Jim Smith; Rebecca Hurst; Apex Path Partners, LLC

SECTION 2- REASON FOR FILING

<input type="checkbox"/> Public Official	<small>(office held)</small>	 Filed Date: <u>1/21/2025</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<small>(office sought)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> District Judge	<small>(name of district)</small>	Arkansas Secretary of State
<input type="checkbox"/> City Attorney	<small>(name of city)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> State Government: Agency Head/Department Director/Division Director	<small>(name of agency/department/division)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief of Staff or Chief Deputy	<small>(name of Constitutional Officer, Senate, or House of Representatives)</small>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public appointee to State Board or Commission	<u>AEDC; Arkansas Tech University Board of Trustees</u> <small>(name of board/commission)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> School Board member	<small>(name of school district)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate for school board	<small>(name of school district)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Public or Charter School Superintendent	<small>(name of school district/school)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director of Education Service Cooperative	<small>(name of cooperative)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Advertising and Promotion Commission member	<small>(name of advertising and promotion commission)</small>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Research Park Authority Board member under A.C.A. § 14-144-201 et seq.	<small>(name of research park authority board)</small>	

ADDENDUM TO
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SECTION 3 -- SOURCE OF INCOME (CONTINUED)

- | | | |
|----|--|--------------------------|
| c) | University of Arkansas School of Law
Waterman Hall, 1045 W. Maple Street
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701
James W. Smith
Law School Adjunct Lecturer | <u>More than \$1,000</u> |
| d) | University of Arkansas School of Law
Waterman Hall, 1045 W. Maple Street
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701
Rebecca B. Hurst
Law School Adjunct Lecturer | <u>More than \$1,000</u> |

[End of Section 3]

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
 Smith Hurst, PLC

 (name of corporation, firm or enterprise)
 5100 W JB Hunt Drive, Suite 830, Rogers, Arkansas 72758

 (address)
 James W. Smith, PA and Rebecca B. Hurst, PA

 (name under which investment held)

b) Check appropriate box: More than \$1,000 More than \$12,500
 James W. Smith, PA

 (name of corporation, firm or enterprise)
 5100 W JB Hunt Drive, Suite 830, Rogers, Arkansas 72758

 (address)
 James W. Smith

 (name under which investment held)

c) Check appropriate box: More than \$1,000 More than \$12,500
 Rebecca B. Hurst, PLC

 (name of corporation, firm or enterprise)
 5100 W JB Hunt Drive, Suite 830, Rogers, Arkansas 72758

 (address)
 Rebecca B. Hurst

 (name under which investment held)

d) Check appropriate box: More than \$1,000 More than \$12,500
 RBHMC Holdings, LLC

 (name of corporation, firm or enterprise)
 5100 W JB Hunt Drive, Suite 830, Rogers, Arkansas 72758

 (address)
 Rebecca Hurst

 (name under which investment held)

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

 (name of corporation, firm or enterprise)
 5100 W JB Hunt Drive, Suite 830, Rogers, Arkansas 72758

 (address)
 James W. Smith and Rebecca B. Hurst

 (name under which investment held)

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

 (name of corporation, firm or enterprise)

 (address)

 (name under which investment held)

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OWNERSHIP

- (f) Apex Path Partners, LLC
More than \$1,000
5100 W. JB Hunt Drive
Suite 830,
Rogers, Arkansas 72758
Co-Owner and Member of Board of Manager

BANK ACCOUNT

- g) First Security Bank [Depository Account Cash]
More than \$12,500
Address:
P.O. Box 1009
Searcy Arkansas 72145
Name under which account held: James W. Smith
- h) Encore Bank [Depository Accounts]
More than \$12,500
Address:
Encore Bank
5100 W. JB Hunt Drive
Suite 820
Rogers, Arkansas 72758
Name under which account held: James W. Smith or Rebecca Hurst
- i) Arvest Bank [Depository Accounts]
More than \$12,500
Address:
75 N. East Street
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701
Name under which account held: James W. Smith or Rebecca Hurst

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EQUITIES/STOCK

- j) Simmons Investment Services – Portfolio of Publicly Traded Equities
Address:
 c/o Simmons First Investment Group
 11700 Cantrell Road
 Little Rock, Arkansas 72223
Name under which account held: Smith Hurst Joint Revocable Trust

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SECTION 4 – BUSINESS OR HOLDINGS (CONTINUED)

401(K) PLAN HOLDINGS

Simmons First Investment Group - Portfolio of Publicly Traded Equities

Address for each security in 401(k) Plan:

c/o Simmons First Investment Group
11700 Cantrell Road
Little Rock, Arkansas 72223
3100 Market Street
Suite 301
Rogers, Arkansas 72758

Name under which investment held for each security in 401(k) Plan:

Smith Hurst, PLC 401(k) PSP, James W. Smith Trustee et al, FBO James Smith
Smith Hurst, PLC 401(k) PSP, James W. Smith Trustee et al, FBO Rebecca B. Hurst

[End of Section 4]

SECTION 5- OFFICE OR DIRECTORSHIP

List every office or directorship held by you or your spouse in any business, corporation, firm, or enterprise subject to jurisdiction of a regulatory agency of this State, or of any of its political subdivisions.

a) Smith Hurst, PLC	(name of business, corporation, firm, or enterprise)
5100 W JB Hunt Drive, Suite 830, Rogers, Arkansas 72758	(address)
Partner	(office or directorship held)
James W. Smith and Rebecca B. Hurst	(name of office holder)
b) University of Arkansas Technology Development Foundation	(name of business, corporation, firm, or enterprise)
Arkansas Research and Technology Park, 525 W. Research Center Blvd, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701	(address)
Secretary	(office or directorship held)
James W. Smith	(name of office holder)
See attached additional disclosure	

SECTION 6- CREDITORS

List each creditor to whom the value of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or more was personally owed or personally obligated and is still outstanding. (This does not include debts owed to members of your family or loans made in the ordinary course of business by either a financial institution or a person who regularly and customarily extends credit.)

a) N/A	(name of creditor)
	(address of creditor)
b) N/A	(name of creditor)
	(address of creditor)
c)	(name of creditor)
	(address of creditor)

SECTION 7- PAST-DUE AMOUNTS OWED TO GOVERNMENT

List the name and address of each governmental body to which you are legally obligated to pay a past-due amount and a description of the nature of the amount of the obligation.

a) N/A	(name of governmental body)	(address of governmental body)
	(amount owed)	(nature of the obligation)
b) N/A	(name of governmental body)	(address of governmental body)
	(amount owed)	(nature of the obligation)

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SECTION 5 – OFFICE OR DIRECTORSHIP (CONTINUED)

- (c) Priority Bank
3401 E. Mission Blvd.
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72201
Member, Board of Directors
James W. Smith

- (d) Apex Path Partners, LLC
5100 W. JB Hunt Drive
Suite 830,
Rogers, Arkansas 72758
Co-Owner and
Members, Board of Manager

[End of Section 5]

SECTION 8- GUARANTOR OR CO-MAKER

List each guarantor or co-maker who has guaranteed a debt of yours that is still outstanding. (This includes debt guarantors arising or extended and refinanced after Jan. 1, 1989. Members of your family who are your guarantors are not required to be disclosed.)

a) ^{N/A}

(name)

(address)

b) ^{N/A}

(name)

(address)

SECTION 9- GIFTS

List the source, date, description, and a reasonable estimate of the fair market value of each gift of more than \$100 received by you or your spouse and of each gift of more than \$250 received by your dependent children. The term "gift" is defined as "any payment, entertainment, advance, services, or anything of value unless consideration of equal or greater value has been given therefor." There are a number of exceptions to the definition of "gift." Those exceptions are set forth in the Instructions for Statement of Financial Interest prepared for use with this form. (Note: The value of an item shall be considered to be less than \$100 if the public servant reimburses the person from whom the item was received any amount over \$100 and the reimbursement occurs within ten (10) days from the date the item was received.)

a) ^{N/A}

(description of gift)

(date) (fair market value)

(source of gift)

b) ^{N/A}

(description of gift)

(date) (fair market value)

(source of gift)

c) ^{N/A}

(description of gift)

(date) (fair market value)

(source of gift)

d) ^{N/A}

(description of gift)

(date) (fair market value)

(source of gift)

e) ^{N/A}

(description of gift)

(date) (fair market value)

(source of gift)

SECTION 10- AWARDS

If you are an employee of a public school district, the Arkansas School for the Blind, the Arkansas School for the Deaf, the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts, a university, a college, a technical college, a technical institute, a comprehensive life-long learning center, or a community college, the law requires you to disclose each monetary or other award over one hundred dollars (\$100) which you have received in recognition of your contributions to education. The information disclosed with respect to each such award should include the source, date, description, and a reasonable estimate of the fair market value.

a) ^{N/A}	(description of award)
(date)	(fair market value)
	(source of award)
b) ^{N/A}	(description of award)
(date)	(fair market value)
	(source of award)
c) ^{N/A}	(description of award)
(date)	(fair market value)
	(source of award)
d) ^{N/A}	(description of award)
(date)	(fair market value)
	(source of award)

SECTION 11- NONGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES OF PAYMENT

List each nongovernmental source of payment of your expenses for food, lodging, or travel which bears a relationship to your office when you appear in your official capacity when the expenses incurred exceed \$150.

a) ^{N/A}	(name of person or organization paying expense)
	(business address)
(date of expense)	\$ (amount of expense)
	(nature of expenditure)
b) ^{N/A}	(name of person or organization paying expense)
	(business address)
(date of expense)	\$ (amount of expense)
	(nature of expenditure)

SECTION 12- DIRECT REGULATION OF BUSINESS

List any business which employs you and is under direct regulation or subject to direct control by the governmental body which you serve.

a) N/A	(name of business)
	(governmental body which regulates or controls)
b) N/A	(name of business)
	(governmental body which regulates or controls)
c) N/A	(name of business)
	(governmental body which regulates or controls)
d) N/A	(name of business)
	(governmental body which regulates or controls)

SECTION 13- SALES TO GOVERNMENTAL BODY

List the goods or services sold to the governmental body for which you serve which have a total annual value in excess of \$1,000. List the compensation paid for each category of goods or services sold by you or any business in which you or your spouse is an officer, director, or stockholder owning more than 10% of the stock of the company.

a) N/A	(goods or services)
	(governmental body to whom sold)
	(compensation paid)
b) N/A	(goods or services)
	(governmental body to whom sold)
	(compensation paid)
c) N/A	(goods or services)
	(governmental body to whom sold)
	(compensation paid)
d) N/A	(goods or services)
	(governmental body to whom sold)
	(compensation paid)

SECTION 14- SIGNATURE

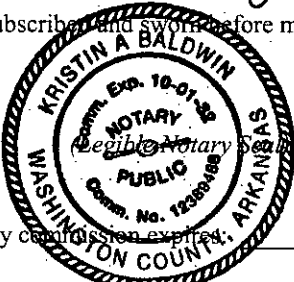
I certify under penalty of false swearing that the above information is true and correct.

Jimmie Smith
Signature

STATE OF ARKANSAS

COUNTY OF Washington } ss

Subscriber and sworn before me this 20th day of January, 2025



Kristin A. Baldwin
Notary Public

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.

Ark. Code Ann. § 21-8-403 provides that, upon conviction, any person who violates any provision of subchapter 4, 6, 7, or 8 of chapter 8, Title 21 of the Arkansas Code is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. The culpable mental state required shall be a purposeful violation.