

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

State/District officials file with:  
John Thurston, Secretary of State  
State Capitol, Room 026  
Little Rock, AR 72201  
Phone (501) 682-5070  
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Calendar year covered 2023  
(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	<u>Duncan</u>	<u>Taine</u>	<u>Melody</u>
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
Address	<u>7801 Leawood Blvd</u>	<u>Little Rock, AR</u>	<u>72205</u>
	(Street or P.O. Box Number)	(City) (State)	(Zip Code)
Phone	<u>501-366-9912</u>		
Spouse's name	<u>Ernst</u>	<u>George</u>	<u>Raff</u>
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)

All names under which you and/or your spouse do business: Taine Duncan and George Ernst

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## SECTION 2- REASON FOR FILING

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

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**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  
Disney Stock  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name under which investment held)

b) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name under which investment held)

c) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name under which investment held)

d) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name under which investment held)

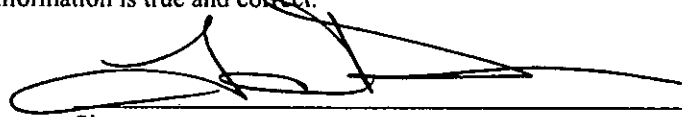
e) Check appropriate box:  More than \$1,000  More than \$12,500  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of corporation, firm or enterprise)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name under which investment held)

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.

  
Signature

STATE OF ARKANSAS

COUNTY OF Pulaski } ss

Subscribed and sworn before me this 8 day of January, 2024.

  
Notary Public

(Legible Notary Seal)

My commission expires: 04/16/28

Sara Wallis  
Pulaski County  
NOTARY PUBLIC – ARKANSAS  
My Commission Expires: April 16, 2028  
Commission No. 12704233

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.