

FORM 1

STATEMENT OF

2012

FINANCIAL INTERESTS

Please print or type your name, mailing address, agency name, and position below:

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

LAST NAME -- FIRST NAME -- MIDDLE NAME :

MERRITT JAMES ARTHUR

MAILING ADDRESS :

23203 FOXBERRY LANE

CITY : BONTIA SPRINGS, FL 34135 ZIP : LEE COUNTY :

NAME OF AGENCY : BROOKS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT #1

NAME OF OFFICE OR POSITION HELD OR SOUGHT : SUPERVISOR SEAT #2

You are not limited to the space on the lines on this form. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.

CHECK ONLY IF ☐ CANDIDATE OR ☐ NEW EMPLOYEE OR APPOINTEE

**** BOTH PARTS OF THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED ****

DISCLOSURE PERIOD:

THIS STATEMENT REFLECTS YOUR FINANCIAL INTERESTS FOR THE PRECEDING TAX YEAR, WHETHER BASED ON A CALENDAR YEAR OR ON A FISCAL YEAR. PLEASE STATE BELOW WHETHER THIS STATEMENT IS FOR THE PRECEDING TAX YEAR ENDING EITHER (must check one):

☒ DECEMBER 31, 2012 OR ☐ SPECIFY TAX YEAR IF OTHER THAN THE CALENDAR YEAR: _____

MANNER OF CALCULATING REPORTABLE INTERESTS:

THE LEGISLATURE ALLOWS FILERS THE OPTION OF USING REPORTING THRESHOLDS THAT ARE ABSOLUTE DOLLAR VALUES, WHICH REQUIRES FEWER CALCULATIONS, OR USING COMPARATIVE THRESHOLDS, WHICH ARE USUALLY BASED ON PERCENTAGE VALUES (see instructions for further details). CHECK THE ONE YOU ARE USING:

☒ COMPARATIVE (PERCENTAGE) THRESHOLDS OR ☐ DOLLAR VALUE THRESHOLDSPART A -- PRIMARY SOURCES OF INCOME [Major sources of income to the reporting person - See instructions]
(If you have nothing to report, you must write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF SOURCE OF INCOME	SOURCE'S ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION OF THE SOURCE'S PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY
NYS RETIREMENT SYS: SOCIAL SECURITY	110 STATE STREET, ALBANY, N.Y. 12244	PENSION PENSION
HIGHTOWER ADVISORS LLC THE MORGAN GROUP	151 MULLAN ST. WATKINTOWN, N.Y. 13601	BROKER
HIGHTOWER SECURITIES LLC BONTIA BAY COMMUNITY ASSOC.	200 WEST MADISON, SUITE 200 CHICAGO IL 60606 9900 COCONUT RD SUITE 200 BOULDER SPRINGS FL 34135	BROKER COMMUNITY HEDG OFFICE

PART B -- SECONDARY SOURCES OF INCOME

[Major customers, clients, and other sources of income to businesses owned by the reporting person - See instructions]
(If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY	NAME OF MAJOR SOURCES OF BUSINESS' INCOME	ADDRESS OF SOURCE	PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY OF SOURCE
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PART C -- REAL PROPERTY [Land, buildings owned by the reporting person - See instructions]
(If you have nothing to report, you must write "none" or "n/a")

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY - PRIMARY RESIDENCE

23203 FOXBERRY LANE

BONTIA SPRINGS, FL 35135

LEE COUNTY

FILING INSTRUCTIONS for when and where to file this form are located at the bottom of page 2.

INSTRUCTIONS on who must file this form and how to fill it out begin on page 3.

PART D — INTANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY [Stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, etc. - See instructions]
(If you have nothing to report, you must write "none" or "n/a")

TYPE OF INTANGIBLE	BUSINESS ENTITY TO WHICH THE PROPERTY RELATES
MONEY MARKET, STOCKS, BONDS CD'S, ANNUITIES	THE MORGAN GROUP / HIGH TOWER SECURITIES, LLC
CD'S, MONEY MARKET	CAPITAL BANK

PART E — LIABILITIES [Major debts - See instructions]
(If you have nothing to report, you must write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF CREDITOR	ADDRESS OF CREDITOR
CHASE HOME FINANCE	CHASE
RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE	P.O. BOX 9001K71
	LOUISVILLE, KY 40290-1871

PART F — INTERESTS IN SPECIFIED BUSINESSES [Ownership or positions in certain types of businesses - See instructions]
(If you have nothing to report, you must write "none" or "n/a")

	BUSINESS ENTITY # 1	BUSINESS ENTITY # 2	BUSINESS ENTITY # 3
NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY			
ADDRESS OF BUSINESS ENTITY			
PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY			
POSITION HELD WITH ENTITY			
I OWN MORE THAN A 5% INTEREST IN THE BUSINESS			
NATURE OF MY OWNERSHIP INTEREST			

IF ANY OF PARTS A THROUGH F ARE CONTINUED ON A SEPARATE SHEET, PLEASE CHECK HERE ☐

SIGNATURE (required):

[Handwritten Signature]

DATE SIGNED (required):

June 16, 2013

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

WHAT TO FILE:

After completing all parts of this form, **including signing and dating it**, send back only the first sheet (pages 1 and 2) for filing.

If you have nothing to report in a particular section, you must write "none" or "n/a" in that section(s).

NOTE:

MULTIPLE FILING UNNECESSARY:

Generally, a person who has filed Form 1 for a calendar or fiscal year is not required to file a second Form 1 for the same year. However, a candidate who previously filed Form 1 because of another public position must at least file a copy of his or her original Form 1 when qualifying.

WHERE TO FILE:

If you were mailed the form by the Commission on Ethics or a County Supervisor of Elections for your annual disclosure filing, return the form to that location.

Local officers/employees file with the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which they permanently reside. (If you do not permanently reside in Florida, file with the Supervisor of the county where your agency has its headquarters.)

State officers or specified state employees file with the Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709.

Candidates file this form together with their qualifying papers.

To determine what category your position falls under, see the "Who Must File" Instructions on page 3.

Facsimiles will not be accepted.

WHEN TO FILE:

Initially, each local officer/employee, state officer, and specified state employee must file **within 30 days** of the date of his or her appointment or of the beginning of employment. Appointees who must be confirmed by the Senate must file prior to confirmation, even if that is less than 30 days from the date of their appointment.

Candidates for publicly-elected local office must file at the same time they file their qualifying papers.

Thereafter, local officers/employees, state officers, and specified state employees are required to file by July 1st following each calendar year in which they hold their positions.

Finally, at the end of office or employment, each local officer/employee, state officer, and specified state employee is required to file a final disclosure form (Form 1F) within 60 days of leaving office or employment. However, filing a CE Form 1F (Final Statement of Financial Interests) does not relieve the filer of filing a CE Form 1 if he or she was in their position on December 31, 2012.

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