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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. BRESLIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to requiring legislators and candidates for member of the legislature to provide a link to their financial disclosure statements on their official state and campaign websites

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1	Section 1. The opening paragraph of paragraph (k) of subdivision 2 of
2	section 73-a of the public officers law is designated subparagraph (i)
3	and two new subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) are added to read as follows:
4	(ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, all
5	members of the legislature who maintain any state website for service in
б	their official capacity shall establish a clearly visible link entitled
7	"MY FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS" on the front page of their website
8	which shall direct website visitors to current and past financial
9	disclosure forms that the legislator has submitted to the joint commis-
10	sion on public ethics.
11	(iii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
12	every candidate for member of the legislature who maintains any website
13	for service in their official campaign capacity shall establish a clear-
14	ly visible link entitled "MY FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS" on the
15	front page of their campaign website which shall direct visitors to
16	current and past financial disclosure forms that the candidate has
17	submitted to the joint commission on public ethics, in accordance with
18	<u>paragraph (a) of this subdivision.</u>
19	§ 2. The opening paragraph of paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of
20	section 73-a of the public officers law, as amended by section 5 of part
21	A of chapter 399 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

22 Every statewide elected official, state officer or employee, member of 23 the legislature, legislative employee and political party chairman and

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 every candidate for statewide elected office or for member of the legislature shall file an annual statement of financial disclosure containing 2 3 the information and in the form set forth in subdivision three of this 4 section. Every member of the legislature and candidate for member of the 5 legislature must file their annual statement of financial disclosure 6 <u>electronically in an electronic, readable, searchable and downloadable</u> 7 format. On or before the fifteenth day of May with respect to the 8 preceding calendar year: (1) every member of the legislature, every 9 candidate for member of the legislature and legislative employee shall 10 file such statement with the legislative ethics commission which shall 11 provide such statement along with any requests for exemptions or deletions to the joint commission on public ethics for filing and 12 13 rulings with respect to such requests for exemptions or deletions, on or 14 before the thirtieth day of June; and (2) all other individuals required to file such statement shall file it with the joint commission on public 15 16 ethics, except that: 17 § 3. Subdivision 3 of section 73-a of the public officers law, as 18 amended by section 5 of part A of chapter 399 of the laws of 2011, para-19 graph 8 as amended by section 6 of part K of chapter 286 of the laws of 20 2016 and paragraph 13 as amended by section 1 of part CC of chapter 56 21 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

3. <u>(a)</u> The annual statement of financial disclosure shall contain the information and shall be in the form set forth hereinbelow:

24 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE - (For calendar year _____)

25	1.	Name
26	2.	(a) Title of Position
27		(b) Department, Agency or other Governmental Entity
28		(c) Address of Present Office
29		(d) Office Telephone Number
30	3.	(a) Marital Status If married, please give spouse's
31		full name including maiden name where applicable.
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33		(b) List the names of all unemancipated children.
22		(b) List the names of all unemanerpated children.
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39	Nn au	er each of the following questions completely, with respect to
40		lendar year, unless another period or date is otherwise
		ecified. If additional space is needed, attach additional pages.
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42	Wh	enever a "value" or "amount" is required to be reported herein, such
43	valu	e or amount shall be reported as being within one of the following

42 Whenever a "value" or "amount" is required to be reported herein, such 43 value or amount shall be reported as being within one of the following 44 Categories in Table I or Table II of this subdivision as called for in 45 the question: A reporting individual shall indicate the Category by 46 letter only. 47 Whenever "income" is required to be reported herein, the term "income" 48 shall mean the aggregate net income before taxes from the source identi-49 fied.

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1 The term "calendar year" shall mean the year ending the December 31st 2 preceding the date of filing of the annual statement.

3 (a) List any office, trusteeship, directorship, partnership, or 4. 4 position of any nature, whether compensated or not, held by the 5 reporting individual with any firm, corporation, association, partnership, or other organization other than the State of New York. б 7 Include compensated honorary positions; do NOT list membership or 8 uncompensated honorary positions. If the listed entity was licensed 9 by any state or local agency, was regulated by any state regulatory 10 agency or local agency, or, as a regular and significant part of the business or activity of said entity, did business with, or had 11 matters other than ministerial matters before, any state or local 12 13 agency, list the name of any such agency.

14 15	Position	Organization	State or Local Agency
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(b) List any office, trusteeship, directorship, partnership, or position 21 22 of any nature, whether compensated or not, held by the spouse or 23 unemancipated child of the reporting individual, with any firm, corporation, association, partnership, or other organization other 24 than the State of New York. Include compensated honorary positions; 25 26 do NOT list membership or uncompensated honorary positions. If the 27 listed entity was licensed by any state or local agency, was requ-28 lated by any state regulatory agency or local agency, or, as a regu-29 lar and significant part of the business or activity of said entity, did business with, or had matters other than ministerial matters before, any state or local agency, list the name of any such agency. 30 31

39 5. (a) List the name, address and description of any occupation, 40 employment (other than the employment listed under Item 2 above), 41 trade, business or profession engaged in by the reporting individ-42 ual. If such activity was licensed by any state or local agency, was 43 regulated by any state regulatory agency or local agency, or, as a 44 regular and significant part of the business or activity of said 45 entity, did business with, or had matters other than ministerial 46 matters before, any state or local agency, list the name of any such 47 agency.

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1 2	Position	Name & Address of Organization	Description	Local Agency
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8 (b) If the spouse or unemancipated child of the reporting individual was 9 engaged in any occupation, employment, trade, business or profession which activity was licensed by any state or local agency, was regu-10 11 lated by any state regulatory agency or local agency, or, as a regu-12 lar and significant part of the business or activity of said entity, 13 did business with, or had matters other than ministerial matters 14 before, any state or local agency, list the name, address and 15 description of such occupation, employment, trade, business or 16 profession and the name of any such agency.

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Position	of Organization	Description	Agenc

25 List any interest, in EXCESS of \$1,000, held by the reporting indiб. 26 vidual, such individual's spouse or unemancipated child, or partner-27 ship of which any such person is a member, or corporation, 10% or 28 more of the stock of which is owned or controlled by any such 29 person, whether vested or contingent, in any contract made or 30 executed by a state or local agency and include the name of the 31 entity which holds such interest and the relationship of the report-32 ing individual or such individual's spouse or such child to such entity and the interest in such contract. Do NOT include bonds and 33 34 notes. Do NOT list any interest in any such contract on which final 35 payment has been made and all obligations under the contract except 36 for guarantees and warranties have been performed, provided, howev-37 er, that such an interest must be listed if there has been an ongoing dispute during the calendar year for which this statement is 38 39 filed with respect to any such guarantees or warranties. Do NOT list 40 any interest in a contract made or executed by a local agency after 41 public notice and pursuant to a process for competitive bidding or a 42 process for competitive requests for proposals.

43		Entity	Relationship	Contracting	Category
44	Self,	Which Held	to Entity	State or	of
45	Spouse or	Interest in	and Interest	Local	Value of
46	Child	Contract	in Contract	Agency	Contract
47					(In Table II)
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4 7. List any position the reporting individual held as an officer of any political party or political organization, as a member of any political party committee, or as a political party district leader. The term "party" shall have the same meaning as "party" in the election law. The term "political organization" means any party or independent body as defined in the election law or any organization that is affiliated with or a subsidiary of a party or independent body.

16 8. (a) If the reporting individual practices law, is licensed by the 17 department of state as a real estate broker or agent or practices a 18 profession licensed by the department of education, or works as a member or employee of a firm required to register pursuant to section one-e of 19 20 the legislative law as a lobbyist, describe the services rendered for which compensation was paid including a general description of the prin-21 22 cipal subject areas of matters undertaken by such individual and princi-23 pal duties performed. Specifically state whether the reporting individ-24 ual provides services directly to clients. Additionally, if such an 25 individual practices with a firm or corporation and is a partner or 26 shareholder of the firm or corporation, give a general description of 27 principal subject areas of matters undertaken by such firm or corpo-28 ration.

(b) APPLICABLE ONLY TO NEW CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS FOR WHOM SERVICES ARE
PROVIDED ON OR AFTER JULY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWELVE AND BEFORE DECEMBER
THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, OR FOR NEW MATTERS FOR EXISTING
CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS WITH RESPECT TO THOSE SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED ON
OR AFTER JULY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWELVE AND BEFORE DECEMBER
THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN:

If the reporting individual personally provides services to any person or entity, or works as a member or employee of a partnership or corporation that provides such services (referred to hereinafter as a "firm"), then identify each client or customer to whom the reporting individual personally provided services, or who was referred to the firm by the reporting individual, and from whom the reporting individual or his or her firm earned fees in excess of \$10,000 during the reporting period for such services rendered in direct connection with:

48 (i) A contract in an amount totaling \$50,000 or more from the state or49 any state agency for services, materials, or property;

1 (ii) A grant of \$25,000 or more from the state or any state agency 2 during the reporting period; (iii) A grant obtained through a legislative initiative during the 3 4 reporting period; or 5 (iv) A case, proceeding, application or other matter that is not a б ministerial matter before a state agency during the reporting period. 7 For purposes of this question, "referred to the firm" shall mean: 8 having intentionally and knowingly taken a specific act or series of 9 acts to intentionally procure for the reporting individual's firm or 10 knowingly solicit or direct to the reporting individual's firm in whole 11 or substantial part, a person or entity that becomes a client of that firm for the purposes of representation for a matter as defined in 12 13 subparagraphs (i) through (iv) of this paragraph, as the result of such 14 procurement, solicitation or direction of the reporting individual. A 15 reporting individual need not disclose activities performed while 16 lawfully acting pursuant to paragraphs (c), (d), (e) and (f) of subdivi-17 sion seven of section seventy-three of this article. 18 The disclosure requirement in this question shall not require disclo-19 sure of clients or customers receiving medical or dental services, 20 mental health services, residential real estate brokering services, or 21 insurance brokering services from the reporting individual or his or her firm. The reporting individual need not identify any client to whom he 22 or she or his or her firm provided legal representation with respect to 23 investigation or prosecution by law enforcement authorities, bankruptcy, 24 or domestic relations matters. With respect to clients represented in 25 26 other matters, where disclosure of a client's identity is likely to 27 cause harm, the reporting individual shall request an exemption from the 28 joint commission pursuant to paragraph (i-1) of subdivision nine of section ninety-four of the executive law, provided, however, that a 29 30 reporting individual who first enters public office after July first, 31 two thousand twelve, need not report clients or customers with respect 32 to matters for which the reporting individual or his or her firm was 33 retained prior to entering public office. 34 Client Nature of Services Provided 35 36 37 38 39

40 (b-1) APPLICABLE ONLY TO NEW CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS FOR WHOM SERVICES 41 ARE PROVIDED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, OR 42 FOR NEW MATTERS FOR EXISTING CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS WITH RESPECT TO THOSE 43 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOU-44 SAND FIFTEEN (FOR PURPOSES OF THIS QUESTION, "SERVICES" SHALL MEAN 45 CONSULTATION, REPRESENTATION, ADVICE OR OTHER SERVICES):

If the reporting individual receives income from employment reportable in question 8(a) and personally provides services to any person or entity, or works as a member or employee of a partnership or corporation that provides such services (referred to hereinafter as a "firm"), the reporting individual shall identify each client or customer to whom the reporting individual personally provided services, or who was referred to the firm by the reporting individual, and from whom the reporting individual or his or her firm earned fees in excess of \$10,000 during the reporting period in direct connection with:

(i) A contract in an amount totaling \$10,000 or more from the state or 1 any state agency for services, materials, or property; 2 (ii) A grant of \$10,000 or more from the state or any state agency 3 4 during the reporting period; 5 (iii) A grant obtained through a legislative initiative during the б reporting period; or (iv) A case, proceeding, application or other matter that is not a 7 8 ministerial matter before a state agency during the reporting period. 9 For such services rendered by the reporting individual directly to 10 each such client, describe each matter that was the subject of such representation, the services actually provided and the payment received. 11 For payments received from clients referred to the firm by the reporting 12 13 individual, if the reporting individual directly received a referral fee 14 or fees for such referral, identify the client and the payment so 15 received. For purposes of this question, "referred to the firm" shall mean: 16 having intentionally and knowingly taken a specific act or series of 17 acts to intentionally procure for the reporting individual's firm or 18 having knowingly solicited or directed to the reporting individual's 19 20 firm in whole or substantial part, a person or entity that becomes a 21 client of that firm for the purposes of representation for a matter as defined in clauses (i) through (iv) of this subparagraph, as the result 22 of such procurement, solicitation or direction of the reporting individ-23 24 ual. A reporting individual need not disclose activities performed while 25 lawfully acting in his or her capacity as provided in paragraphs (c), 26 (d), (e) and (f) of subdivision seven of section seventy-three of this 27 article. 28 Client Nature of Services Provided Category Matter 29 of Amount 30 (in Table I) 31 32 33 34

36 (b-2) APPLICABLE ONLY TO NEW CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS FOR WHOM SERVICES 37 ARE PROVIDED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, OR 38 FOR NEW MATTERS FOR EXISTING CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS WITH RESPECT TO THOSE 39 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOU-40 SAND FIFTEEN (FOR PURPOSES OF THIS QUESTION, "SERVICES" SHALL MEAN 41 CONSULTATION, REPRESENTATION, ADVICE OR OTHER SERVICES):

42 (i) With respect to reporting individuals who receive ten thousand 43 dollars or more from employment or activity reportable under question 44 8(a), for each client or customer NOT otherwise disclosed or exempted in question 8 or 13, disclose the name of each client or customer known to 45 the reporting individual to whom the reporting individual provided 46 services: (A) who paid the reporting individual in excess of five thou-47 sand dollars for such services; or (B) who had been billed with the 48 49 knowledge of the reporting individual in excess of five thousand dollars 50 by the firm or other entity named in question 8(a) for the reporting 51 individual's services. **– –**

52	Client	Services	Category of Amount
53		Actually Provided	(in Table I)

1 FOLLOWING IS AN ILLUSTRATIVE, NON-EXCLUSIVE LIST OF EXAMPLES OF DESCRIPTIONS OF "SERVICES ACTUALLY PROVIDED": 2 3 * REVIEWED DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE; 4 * REPRESENTED CLIENT (IDENTIFY CLIENT BY NAME) IN LEGAL PROCEEDING; 5 * PROVIDED LEGAL ADVICE ON CLIENT MATTER (IDENTIFY CLIENT BY NAME); б * CONSULTED WITH CLIENT OR CONSULTED WITH LAW PARTNERS/ASSOCIATES/MEMBERS 7 OF FIRM ON CLIENT MATTER (IDENTIFY CLIENT BY NAME); 8 * PREPARED CERTIFIED FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR CLIENT (IDENTIFY CLIENT BY 9 NAME); 10 * REFERRED INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY (IDENTIFY CLIENT BY NAME) FOR 11 REPRESENTATION OR CONSULTATION; 12 * COMMERCIAL BROKERING SERVICES (IDENTIFY CUSTOMER BY NAME); 13 * PREPARED CERTIFIED ARCHITECTURAL OR ENGINEERING 14 RENDERINGS FOR CLIENT (IDENTIFY CUSTOMER BY NAME); 15 * COURT APPOINTED GUARDIAN OR EVALUATOR (IDENTIFY COURT NOT CLIENT). 16 (ii) With respect to reporting individuals who disclosed in question 17 8(a) that the reporting individual did not provide services to a client 18 but provided services to a firm or business, identify the category of 19 amount received for providing such services and describe the services 20 rendered. 21 Services Actually Provided Category of Amount (Table I)

22 A reporting individual need not disclose activities performed while 23 lawfully acting in his or her capacity as provided in paragraphs (c), 24 (d), (e) and (f) of subdivision seven of section seventy-three of this 25 article. 26 The disclosure requirement in questions (b-1) and (b-2) shall not 27 require disclosing clients or customers receiving medical, pharmaceu-28 tical or dental services, mental health services, or residential real 29 estate brokering services from the reporting individual or his or her 30 firm or if federal law prohibits or limits disclosure. The reporting individual need not identify any client to whom he or she or his or her 31 32 firm provided legal representation with respect to investigation or 33 prosecution by law enforcement authorities, bankruptcy, family court, 34 estate planning, or domestic relations matters, nor shall the reporting individual identify individuals represented pursuant to an insurance 35 36 policy but the reporting individual shall in such circumstances only 37 report the entity that provides compensation to the reporting individ-38 ual; with respect to matters in which the client's name is required by 39 law to be kept confidential (such as matters governed by the family 40 court act) or in matters in which the reporting individual represents or 41 provides services to minors, the client's name may be replaced with initials. To the extent that the reporting individual, or his or her 42 43 firm, provided legal representation with respect to an initial public 44 offering, and professional disciplinary rules, federal law or regu-45 lations restrict the disclosure of information relating to such work, 46 the reporting individual shall (i) disclose the identity of the client 47 and the services provided relating to the initial public offering to the 48 office of court administration, who will maintain such information

1 confidentially in a locked box; and (ii) include in his or her response to questions (b-1) and (b-2) that pursuant to this paragraph, a disclo-2 sure to the office of court administration has been made. Upon such time 3 4 that the disclosure of information maintained in the locked box is no 5 longer restricted by professional disciplinary rules, federal law or б regulation, the reporting individual shall disclose such information in 7 an amended disclosure statement in response to the disclosure require-8 ments in questions (b-1) and (b-2). The office of court administration 9 shall develop and maintain a secure portal through which information 10 submitted to it pursuant to this paragraph can be safely and confidentially stored. With respect to clients represented in other matters not 11 otherwise exempt, the reporting individual may request an exemption to 12 publicly disclosing the name of that client from the joint commission 13 14 pursuant to paragraph (i-1) of subdivision nine of section ninety-four 15 of the executive law, or from the office of court administration. In 16 such application, the reporting individual shall state the following: 17 "My client is not currently receiving my services or seeking my services 18 in connection with: 19 (i) A proposed bill or resolution in the senate or assembly during the 20 reporting period; 21 (ii) A contract in an amount totaling \$10,000 or more from the state 22 or any state agency for services, materials, or property; 23 (iii) A grant of \$10,000 or more from the state or any state agency 24 during the reporting period; 25 (iv) A grant obtained through a legislative initiative during the 26 reporting period; or 27 (v) A case, proceeding, application or other matter that is not a 28 ministerial matter before a state agency during the reporting period." 29 In reviewing the request for an exemption, the joint commission or the 30 office of court administration may consult with bar or other profes-31 sional associations and the legislative ethics commission for individ-32 uals subject to its jurisdiction and may consider the rules of profes-33 sional conduct. In making its determination, the joint commission or the 34 office of court administration shall conduct its own inquiry and shall 35 consider factors including, but not limited to: (i) the nature and the 36 size of the client; (ii) whether the client has any business before the 37 state; and if so, how significant the business is; and whether the client has any particularized interest in pending legislation and if so 38 39 how significant the interest is; (iii) whether disclosure may reveal trade secrets; (iv) whether disclosure could reasonably result in retal-40 41 iation against the client; (v) whether disclosure may cause undue harm 42 to the client; (vi) whether disclosure may result in undue harm to the 43 attorney-client relationship; and (vii) whether disclosure may result in 44 an unnecessary invasion of privacy to the client. 45 The joint commission or, as the case may be, the office of court 46 administration shall promptly make a final determination in response to 47 such request, which shall include an explanation for its determination. The office of court administration shall issue its final determination 48 within three days of receiving the request. Notwithstanding any other 49 50 provision of law or any professional disciplinary rule to the contrary, 51 the disclosure of the identity of any client or customer in response to 52 this question shall not constitute professional misconduct or a ground 53 for disciplinary action of any kind, or form the basis for any civil or 54 criminal cause of action or proceeding. A reporting individual who first

54 criminal cause of action or proceeding. A reporting individual who first 55 enters public office after January first, two thousand sixteen, need not 56 report clients or customers with respect to matters for which the 1 reporting individual or his or her firm was retained prior to entering 2 public office.

3 (c) APPLICABLE ONLY TO NEW CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS FOR WHOM SERVICES ARE
4 PROVIDED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, OR FOR
5 NEW MATTERS FOR EXISTING CLIENTS OR CUSTOMERS WITH RESPECT TO THOSE
6 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED ON OR AFTER DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOU7 SAND FIFTEEN:

8 If the reporting individual receives income of ten thousand dollars or 9 greater from any employment or activity reportable under question 8(a), 10 identify each registered lobbyist who has directly referred to such 11 individual a client who was successfully referred to the reporting individual's business and from whom the reporting individual or firm 12 13 received a fee for services in excess of five thousand dollars. Report 14 only those referrals that were made to a reporting individual by direct 15 communication from a person known to such reporting individual to be a 16 registered lobbyist at the time the referral is made. With respect to 17 each such referral, the reporting individual shall identify the client, 18 the registered lobbyist who has made the referral, the category of value 19 of the compensation received and a general description of the type of 20 matter so referred. A reporting individual need not disclose activities 21 performed while lawfully acting pursuant to paragraphs (c), (d), (e) and (f) of subdivision seven of section seventy-three of this article. The 22 disclosure requirements in this question shall not require disclosing 23 24 clients or customers receiving medical, pharmaceutical or dental 25 services, mental health services, or residential real estate brokering 26 services from the reporting individual or his or her firm or if federal 27 law prohibits or limits disclosure. The reporting individual need not 28 identify any client to whom he or she or his or her firm provided legal representation with respect to investigation or prosecution by law 29 30 enforcement authorities, bankruptcy, family court, estate planning, or 31 domestic relations matters, nor shall the reporting individual identify 32 individuals represented pursuant to an insurance policy but the report-33 ing individual shall in such circumstances only report the entity that 34 provides compensation to the reporting individual; with respect to 35 matters in which the client's name is required by law to be kept confi-36 dential (such as matters governed by the family court act) or in matters 37 in which the reporting individual represents or provides services to minors, the client's name may be replaced with initials. To the extent 38 39 that the reporting individual, or his or her firm, provided legal representation with respect to an initial public offering, and federal law or 40 41 regulations restricts the disclosure of information relating to such 42 work, the reporting individual shall (i) disclose the identity of the 43 client and the services provided relating to the initial public offering 44 to the office of court administration, who will maintain such informa-45 tion confidentially in a locked box; and (ii) include in his or her 46 response a statement that pursuant to this paragraph, a disclosure to 47 the office of court administration has been made. Upon such time that the disclosure of information maintained in the locked box is no longer 48 restricted by federal law or regulation, the reporting individual shall 49 50 disclose such information in an amended disclosure statement in response 51 to the disclosure requirements of this paragraph. The office of court 52 administration shall develop and maintain a secure portal through which 53 information submitted to it pursuant to this paragraph can be safely and 54 confidentially stored. With respect to clients represented in other 55 matters not otherwise exempt, the reporting individual may request an 56 exemption to publicly disclosing the name of that client from the joint

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1 commission pursuant to paragraph (i-1) of subdivision nine of section 2 ninety-four of the executive law, or from the office of court administration. In such application, the reporting individual shall state the following: "My client is not currently receiving my services or seeking my services in connection with: (i) A proposed bill or resolution in the senate or assembly during the reporting period; (ii) A contract in an amount totaling \$10,000 or more from the state or any state agency for services, materials, or property; (iii) A grant of \$10,000 or more from the state or any state agency during the reporting period; (iv) A grant obtained through a legislative initiative during the 13 reporting period; or (v) A case, proceeding, application or other matter that is not a 15 ministerial matter before a state agency during the reporting period." In reviewing the request for an exemption, the joint commission or the

17 office of court administration may consult with bar or other professional associations and the legislative ethics commission for individ-18 19 uals subject to its jurisdiction and may consider the rules of profes-20 sional conduct. In making its determination, the joint commission or the 21 office of court administration shall conduct its own inquiry and shall 22 consider factors including, but not limited to: (i) the nature and the 23 size of the client; (ii) whether the client has any business before the 24 state; and if so, how significant the business is; and whether the 25 client has any particularized interest in pending legislation and if so 26 how significant the interest is; (iii) whether disclosure may reveal 27 trade secrets; (iv) whether disclosure could reasonably result in retaliation against the client; (v) whether disclosure may cause undue harm 28 29 to the client; (vi) whether disclosure may result in undue harm to the 30 attorney-client relationship; and (vii) whether disclosure may result in 31 an unnecessary invasion of privacy to the client.

32 The joint commission or, as the case may be, the office of court 33 administration shall promptly make a final determination in response to such request, which shall include an explanation for its determination. 34 35 The office of court administration shall issue its final determination 36 within three days of receiving the request. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any professional disciplinary rule to the contrary, 37 38 the disclosure of the identity of any client or customer in response to 39 this question shall not constitute professional misconduct or a ground for disciplinary action of any kind, or form the basis for any civil or 40 41 criminal cause of action or proceeding. A reporting individual who first 42 enters public office after December thirty-first, two thousand fifteen, 43 need not report clients or customers with respect to matters for which 44 the reporting individual or his or her firm was retained prior to enter-45 ing public office. 46 Client Name of Lobbyist Description Category of Amount

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53 (d) List the name, principal address and general description or the 54 nature of the business activity of any entity in which the reporting 55 individual or such individual's spouse had an investment in excess of 1 \$1,000 excluding investments in securities and interests in real proper-2 ty.

9. List each source of gifts, EXCLUDING campaign contributions, in EXCESS of \$1,000, received during the reporting period for which this statement is filed by the reporting individual or such individual's spouse or unemancipated child from the same donor, EXCLUDING gifts from a relative. INCLUDE the name and address of the donor. The term "gifts" does not include reimbursements, which term is defined in item 10. Indicate the value and nature of each such gift.

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12	Spouse or	Name of		Nature	Value of
13	Child	Donor	Address	of Gift	Gift
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Description

11. List the identity and value, if reasonably ascertainable, of each 35 36 interest in a trust, estate or other beneficial interest, including 37 retirement plans (other than retirement plans of the state of New York or the city of New York), and deferred compensation plans 38 39 (e.g., 401, 403(b), 457, etc.) established in accordance with the 40 internal revenue code, in which the REPORTING INDIVIDUAL held a 41 beneficial interest in EXCESS of \$1,000 at any time during the 42 preceding year. Do NOT report interests in a trust, estate or other 43 beneficial interest established by or for, or the estate of, a rela-44 tive.

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^{10.} Identify and briefly describe the source of any reimbursements for 20 21 expenditures, EXCLUDING campaign expenditures and expenditures in connection with official duties reimbursed by the state, in EXCESS 22 23 of \$1,000 from each such source. For purposes of this item, the term 24 "reimbursements" shall mean any travel-related expenses provided by nongovernmental sources and for activities related to the reporting 25 26 individual's official duties such as, speaking engagements, confer-27 ences, or factfinding events. The term "reimbursements" does NOT 28 include gifts reported under item 9.

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6	*	The value of such interest shall be reported only if reasonably
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8	12.	(a) Describe the terms of, and the parties to, any contract, prom-
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10		person, firm, or corporation with respect to the employment of such
11		individual after leaving office or position (other than a leave of
12		absence).
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18	(h)	Describe the parties to and the terms of any agreement providing
10 19	(D)	for continuation of payments or benefits to the REPORTING INDIVIDUAL
20		in EXCESS of \$1,000 from a prior employer OTHER THAN the State.
21		(This includes interests in or contributions to a pension fund,
22		profit-sharing plan, or life or health insurance; buy-out agree-
23		ments; severance payments; etc.)
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29	13.	List below the nature and amount of any income in EXCESS of \$1,000
30		from EACH SOURCE for the reporting individual and such individual's
31		spouse for the taxable year last occurring prior to the date of
32		filing. Each such source must be described with particularity.
22		Nature of income includes but is not limited to all income (other

Nature of income includes, but is not limited to, all income (other than that received from the employment listed under Item 2 above) from compensated employment whether public or private, directorships and other fiduciary positions, contractual arrangements, teaching income, partnerships, honorariums, lecture fees, consultant fees, bank and bond interest, dividends, income derived from a trust, real estate rents, and recognized gains from the sale or exchange of real or other property. Income from a business or profession and real estate rents shall be reported with the source identified by the building address in the case of real estate rents and otherwise by the name of the entity and not by the name of the individual custom-ers, clients or tenants, with the aggregate net income before taxes for each building address or entity. The receipt of maintenance received in connection with a matrimonial action, alimony and child support payments shall not be listed.

48	Self/			Category
49	Spouse	Source	Nature	of Amount
50				(In Table I)

14. List the sources of any deferred income (not retirement income) in 6 7 EXCESS of \$1,000 from each source to be paid to the reporting indi-8 vidual following the close of the calendar year for which this 9 disclosure statement is filed, other than deferred compensation reported in item 11 hereinabove. Deferred income derived from the 10 practice of a profession shall be listed in the aggregate and shall 11 identify as the source, the name of the firm, corporation, partner-12 ship or association through which the income was derived, but shall 13 14 not identify individual clients.

15		Category
16	Source	of Amount
17		(In Table I)
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15. List each assignment of income in EXCESS of \$1,000, and each transfer other than to a relative during the reporting period for which this statement is filed for less than fair consideration of an interest in a trust, estate or other beneficial interest, securities or real property, by the reporting individual, in excess of \$1,000, which would otherwise be required to be reported herein and is not or has not been so reported.

30 31 32	Item Assigned or Transferred	Assigned or Transferred to	Category of Value (In Table I)
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16. List below the type and market value of securities held by the 38 39 reporting individual or such individual's spouse from each issuing 40 entity in EXCESS of \$1,000 at the close of the taxable year last 41 occurring prior to the date of filing, including the name of the 42 issuing entity exclusive of securities held by the reporting individual issued by a professional corporation. Whenever an interest in 43 securities exists through a beneficial interest in a trust, the 44 45 securities held in such trust shall be listed ONLY IF the reporting 46 individual has knowledge thereof except where the reporting individ-47 ual or the reporting individual's spouse has transferred assets to such trust for his or her benefit in which event such securities 48 shall be listed unless they are not ascertainable by the reporting 49

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individual because the trustee is under an obligation or has been 1 2 instructed in writing not to disclose the contents of the trust to 3 the reporting individual. Securities of which the reporting individ-4 ual or the reporting individual's spouse is the owner of record but 5 in which such individual or the reporting individual's spouse has no beneficial interest shall not be listed. Indicate percentage of б 7 ownership ONLY if the reporting person or the reporting person's 8 spouse holds more than five percent (5%) of the stock of a corpo-9 ration in which the stock is publicly traded or more than ten 10 percent (10%) of the stock of a corporation in which the stock is NOT publicly traded. Also list securities owned for investment 11 purposes by a corporation more than fifty percent (50%) of the stock 12 13 of which is owned or controlled by the reporting individual or such 14 individual's spouse. For the purpose of this item the term "securi-15 ties" shall mean mutual funds, bonds, mortgages, notes, obligations, 16 warrants and stocks of any class, investment interests in limited or 17 general partnerships and certificates of deposits (CDs) and such 18 other evidences of indebtedness and certificates of interest as are 19 usually referred to as securities. The market value for such secu-20 rities shall be reported only if reasonably ascertainable and shall 21 not be reported if the security is an interest in a general partner-

ship that was listed in item 8 (a) or if the security is corporate

stock, NOT publicly traded, in a trade or business of a reporting

25 Percentage 26 of corporate 27 stock owned 28 or controlled Category of 29 (if more than Market Value 30 5% of pubas of the close 31 licly traded of the 32 stock, or taxable year 33 more than last occurring 10% if stock 34 prior to not publicly 35 Self/ Issuing Type of the filing of 36 Spouse Entity Security traded, is held) this statement 37 (In Table II)

individual or a reporting individual's spouse.

43 17. List below the location, size, general nature, acquisition date, 44 market value and percentage of ownership of any real property in 45 which any vested or contingent interest in EXCESS of \$1,000 is held 46 by the reporting individual or the reporting individual's spouse. 47 Also list real property owned for investment purposes by a corpo-48 ration more than fifty percent (50%) of the stock of which is owned 49 or controlled by the reporting individual or such individual's 50 spouse. Do NOT list any real property which is the primary or 51 secondary personal residence of the reporting individual or the reporting individual's spouse, except where there is a co-owner who 52 53 is other than a relative.

1 2 3	Self/ Spouse/		General	Acquisition	Percentage of	Market
4 5 6 7	Corporation	Location Size	Nature	Date	Ownership	Value (In Table II)
8 9 10 11 12						

18. List below all notes and accounts receivable, other than from goods 13 14 or services sold, held by the reporting individual at the close of 15 the taxable year last occurring prior to the date of filing and 16 other debts owed to such individual at the close of the taxable year 17 last occurring prior to the date of filing, in EXCESS of \$1,000, 18 including the name of the debtor, type of obligation, date due and 19 the nature of the collateral securing payment of each, if any, 20 excluding securities reported in item 16 hereinabove. Debts, notes and accounts receivable owed to the individual by a relative shall 21 22 not be reported.

23		Type of Obligation,	Category
24		Date Due, and Nature	of
25	Name of Debtor	of Collateral, if any	Amount
26			(In Table II)
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19. List below all liabilities of the reporting individual and such 32 33 individual's spouse, in EXCESS of \$10,000 as of the date of filing of this statement, other than liabilities to a relative. Do NOT list 34 35 liabilities incurred by, or guarantees made by, the reporting indi-36 vidual or such individual's spouse or by any proprietorship, part-37 nership or corporation in which the reporting individual or such 38 individual's spouse has an interest, when incurred or made in the 39 ordinary course of the trade, business or professional practice of 40 the reporting individual or such individual's spouse. Include the 41 name of the creditor and any collateral pledged by such individual 42 to secure payment of any such liability. A reporting individual 43 shall not list any obligation to pay maintenance in connection with 44 a matrimonial action, alimony or child support payments. Any loan issued in the ordinary course of business by a financial institution 45 46 to finance educational costs, the cost of home purchase or improve-47 ments for a primary or secondary residence, or purchase of a 48 personally owned motor vehicle, household furniture or appliances 49 shall be excluded. If any such reportable liability has been guaranteed by any third person, list the liability and name the guarantor. 50

Name of Credi or Guarantor	Cat tor Type of Liability and Collateral, if any (In Tab
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	in the public interest and no adverse inference
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compliance wi	th these requirements.
(Signature of	Reporting Individual) Date (month/day/yea:
	TABLE I
Category A	none
Category B	\$ 1 to under \$ 1,000
Category C	\$ 1,000 to under \$ 5,000
Category D	\$ 5,000 to under \$ 20,000
Category E	\$ 20,000 to under \$ 50,000
Category F	\$ 50,000 to under \$ 75,000
Category G	\$ 75,000 to under \$ 100,000
Category H	\$ 100,000 to under \$ 150,000
Category I	\$ 150,000 to under \$ 250,000
Category J	\$ 250,000 to under \$ 350,000
Category K	\$ 350,000 to under \$ 450,000
Category L	\$ 450,000 to under \$ 550,000
Category M	\$ 550,000 to under \$ 650,000
Category N	\$ 650,000 to under \$ 750,000
Category O	\$ 750,000 to under \$ 850,000
Category P	\$ 850,000 to under \$ 950,000
Category Q	\$ 950,000 to under \$1,050,000
Category R	\$1,050,000 to under \$1,150,000
Category S	\$1,150,000 to under \$1,250,000
Category T	\$1,250,000 to under \$1,350,000
Category U	\$1,350,000 to under \$1,450,000
Category V	\$1,450,000 to under \$1,550,000
Category W	\$1,550,000 to under \$1,650,000
Category X	\$1,650,000 to under \$1,750,000
Category Y	\$1,750,000 to under \$1,850,000
Category Z	\$1,850,000 to under \$1,950,000
Category AA	\$1,950,000 to under \$2,050,000
Category BB	\$2,050,000 to under \$2,150,000
Category CC	\$2,150,000 to under \$2,250,000
Category DD	\$2,250,000 to under \$2,350,000
Category EE	\$2,350,000 to under \$2,450,000
Category FF	\$2,450,000 to under \$2,550,000
Category GG	\$2,550,000 to under \$2,650,000
Category HH	\$2,650,000 to under \$2,750,000
Category II	\$2,750,000 to under \$2,850,000
Category JJ	\$2,850,000 to under \$2,950,000

1	Category	KK	\$2,	950,	,000	to	under	\$3,050,000
2	Category	LL	\$3,	050,	,000	to	under	\$3,150,000
3	Category	MM		150,			under	
4	Category			250,		to	under	
5	Category			350,		to	under	
6	Category			450,		to	under	\$3,550,000
7	Category			550,		to	under	\$3,650,000
8	Category			650,			under	
9	Category			750,			under	\$3,850,000
10	Category			850,			under	\$3,950,000
11	Category			950,			under	\$4,050,000
12	Category			050,			under	
13	Category			150,			under	
14	Category			250,			under	
15	Category			350,			under	
16	Category			450,			under	
17	Category			550,			under	
18	Category			650,			under	
19	Category			750,			under	
20	Category			850,			under	\$4,950,000
21	Category			950,			under	\$5,050,000
22	Category			050,			under	\$5,150,000
23	Category			150,			under	
24	Category			250,			under	
25	Category			350,			under	
26	Category			450,			under	
27	Category			550,			under	
28	Category	LLL		650,			under	\$5,750,000
29	Category			750,			under	\$5,850,000
30	Category			580,		to	under	\$5,950,000
31	Category			950,		to	under	\$6,050,000
32	Category			050,		to	under	\$6,150,000
33	Category			150,		to	under	\$6,250,000
34	Category			250,			under	\$6,350,000
35	Category			350,			under	\$6,450,000
36	Category			450,			under	\$6,550,000
37	Category			550,			under	\$6,650,000
38	Category			650,			under	\$6,750,000
39	Category							\$6,850,000
40	Category			850,				\$6,950,000
41	Category			950,				\$7,050,000
42	Category			050,				\$7,150,000
43	Category			150,				\$7,250,000
44	Category			250,				\$7,350,000
45	Category			350,				\$7,450,000
46	Category			450,			under	
47	Category			550,				\$7,650,000
48	Category			650,		to	under	\$7,750,000
49	Category			750,		to	under	\$7,850,000
50	Category			850,				\$7,950,000
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52	Category			050,				\$8,150,000
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55	Category			350,				\$8,450,000
56	Category	NNNN	\$8,	450,	,000	to	under	\$8,550,000

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17			TABLE II
18	Category		none
19	Category		1 to under \$ 1,000
20	Category		1,000 to under \$ 5,000
21	Category		5,000 to under \$ 20,000
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41	Category		3,750,000 to under $$4,000,000$
42	Category		4,000,000 to under $$4,250,000$
43	Category		1,250,000 to under \$4,500,000
44	Category		1,500,000 to under \$4,750,000
45	Category	BB \$4	1,750,000 to under \$5,000,000
46	Category		5,000,000 to under \$5,250,000
47	Category		5,250,000 to under \$5,500,000
48	Category		5,500,000 to under \$5,750,000
49	Category		5,750,000 to under \$6,000,000
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1	Category MM	\$7,500,000 to under \$7,750,000
2	Category NN	\$7,750,000 to under \$8,000,000
3	Category 00	\$8,000,000 to under \$8,250,000
4	Category PP	\$8,250,000 to under \$8,500,000
5	Category QQ	\$8,500,000 to under \$8,750,000
6	Category RR	\$8,750,000 to under \$9,000,000
7	Category SS	\$9,000,000 to under \$9,250,000
8	Category TT	\$9,250,000 to under \$9,500,000
9	Category UU	\$9,500,000 or over
10	(b) The joint	commission on public ethics shall make available an
11	editable, electro	nic, readable and searchable version of the annual
12	statement of fi	nancial disclosure by January first, two thousand eigh-
13	teen to all those	required by law to submit such forms.
14	§ 4. This act s	hall take effect immediately; provided, however, that
15	section two of th	is act shall take effect on January first, two thousand
16	nineteen.	