

# UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2015 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Form A  
For Use by Members, Officers, and Employees

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A \$200 penalty shall be assessed against any individual who files more than 30 days late.

Name: JOSEPH RUSSELL PITTS Daytime Telephone                     

FILER STATUS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member of or Candidate for U.S. House of Representatives	State: <u>PA</u> District: <u>16</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Officer or Employee	Employing Office: <u>                    </u>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2015 Annual (Due: May 16, 2016)	<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Termination	Date of Termination: <u>                    </u>

## PRELIMINARY INFORMATION - ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS

A. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child: a. Own any reportable asset that was worth more than \$1,000 at the end of the reporting period? <u>OR</u> b. Make more than \$200 in unearned income from any reportable asset during the reporting period?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	F. Did you have any reportable agreement or arrangement with an outside entity during the reporting period or in the current calendar year up through the date of filing?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
B. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child purchase, sell, or exchange any securities or reportable real estate in a transaction exceeding \$1,000 during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	G. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child receive any reportable gift(s) totaling more than \$375 in value from a single source during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C. Did you or your spouse have "earned" income (e.g., salaries, honoraria, or pension/IRA distributions) of \$200 or more during the reporting period?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	H. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child receive any reportable travel or reimbursements for travel totaling more than \$375 in value from a single source during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
D. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child have any reportable liability (more than \$10,000) at any point during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I. Did any individual or organization make a donation to charity in lieu of paying you for a speech, appearance, or article during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E. Did you hold any reportable positions during the reporting period or in the current calendar year up through the date of filing?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	ATTACH THE CORRESPONDING SCHEDULE IF YOU ANSWER "YES"	

## IPO AND EXCLUSION OF SPOUSE, DEPENDENT, OR TRUST INFORMATION - ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS

IPO - Did you purchase any shares that were allocated as a part of an Initial Public Offering during the reporting period? If you answered "yes" to this question, please contact the Committee on Ethics for further guidance.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TRUSTS - Details regarding "Qualified Blind Trusts" approved by the Committee on Ethics and certain other "excepted trusts" need not be disclosed. Have you excluded from this report details of such a trust that benefits you, your spouse, or dependent child?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EXEMPTION - Have you excluded from this report any other assets, "unearned" income, transactions, or liabilities of a spouse or your dependent child because they meet all three tests for exemption? Do not answer "yes" unless you have first consulted with the Committee on Ethics.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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**INCOME LIMITS and PROHIBITED INCOME:** The 2015 limit on outside earned income for Members and employees compensated at or above the "senior staff" rate was \$27,225. In addition, certain types of income (notably honoraria, director's fees, and payments for professional services involving a fiduciary relationship) were totally prohibited.

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## SCHEDULE D – LIABILITIES

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Report liabilities of over \$10,000 owed to any one creditor at any time during the reporting period by you, your spouse, or your dependent child. Mark the highest amount owed during the reporting period. **Members:** Members are required to report all liabilities secured by real property including mortgages on their personal residence. **Exclude:** Any mortgage on your personal residence (unless you rent it out or are a Member); loans secured by automobiles, household furniture, or appliances; liabilities of a business in which you own an interest (unless you are personally liable); and liabilities owed to you by a spouse or the child, parent, or sibling of you or your spouse. Report a revolving charge account (i.e., credit card) only if the balance at the close of the reporting period exceeded \$10,000. \*Column K is for liabilities held solely by your spouse or dependent child.

SP, DC, JT	Creditor	Date Liability Incurred MO/YR	Type of Liability	Amount of Liability										
				A \$10,001- \$15,000	B \$15,001- \$50,000	C \$50,001- \$100,000	D \$100,001- \$250,000	E \$250,001- \$500,000	F \$500,001- \$1,000,000	G \$1,000,001- \$5,000,000	H \$5,000,001- \$25,000,000	I \$25,000,001- \$50,000,000	J Over \$50,000,000	K Over \$1,000,000* (Spouse/DC Liability)
Example	First Bank of Wilmington, DE	5/98	Mortgage on Rental Property, Dover, DE				X							

## SCHEDULE E – POSITIONS

Report all positions, compensated or uncompensated, held during the current or prior calendar year as an officer, director, trustee of an organization, partner, proprietor, representative, employee, or consultant of any corporation, firm, partnership, or other business enterprise, nonprofit organization, labor organization, or educational or other institution other than the United States. **Exclude:** Positions held in any religious, social, fraternal, or political entities (such as political parties and campaign organizations); and positions solely of an honorary nature.

Position	Name of Organization
Board of Reference	China Outreach Ministries
Advisory Board Member	Congressional Youth Leadership Council
Advisory Board Member	Free North Korea Radio, USA
Advisory Board Member	International Health Services Board
Advisory Board Member	SAT-7
Advisory Board Member	Stephen's Children (Maggie Gobran's Organization in Egypt)

SCHEDULE E - POSITIONS (CONTINUED)		JOSEPH RUSSELL PITTS
POSITION		NAME OF ORGANIZATION
Advisory Board Member		U. S. Committee for Human Rights in North Korea
Advisory Board Member		Vietnam Education Foundation
Advisory Board Member		Western Sahara Foundation
Advisory Board Member		Matthew J. Ryan Project at Villanova University