

## Financial Disclosure

Senior officials in the executive branch must file public reports of their finances as well as other interests outside the Government. The financial disclosure system serves to prevent conflicts of interest and to identify potential conflicts by providing for a systematic review of the financial interests of both current and prospective employees. The primary purpose of disclosure is to assist agencies in identifying potential conflicts of interest between a filer's official duties and the filer's private financial interests and affiliations. If a reviewing official identifies a potential conflict of interest, several remedies are available to avoid an actual or apparent violation of Federal ethics laws and regulations, such as divestiture of a conflicting stock holding or resignation from an outside position.

Senior officials file Public Financial Disclosure Reports using OGE Form 278e. They must file a new entrant report, annual reports thereafter, and a termination report upon leaving their senior official position. Senior officials are also required to file Periodic Transaction Reports (PTR) using OGE Form 278-T. PTRs are used to report transactions (purchase, sale, or exchange) of stock, bonds, commodity futures, and other securities in excess of \$1,000 by you, your spouse or dependent child.

The OGE Form 278e and the OGE Form 278-T are available to the public upon request. To see what information you will be required to provide, click [here](#):

If you are hired in the Office of the Secretary or other Department-level office at a senior level (GS-15 or above), you will also be prohibited from holding a financial interest in certain companies that have significant acreages of oil/gas/mining leases held by them in Federal lands.

PAS officials will file using the Office of Government Ethics' *Integrity* electronic financial disclosure filing system. All other senior officials at the Department of the Interior will file using the FDonline electronic filing system. Once non-PAS officials come on board, the Departmental Ethics Office will enter their information into FDonline and they will receive an automated invitation to file. They will have 30 days from their entry-on-duty date to complete and submit the report.

If you have questions about the financial disclosure process, please contact the Departmental Ethics Office at 202-208-7960 or at [DOI\\_Ethics@sol.doi.gov](mailto:DOI_Ethics@sol.doi.gov).