

Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e)

Filer's Information

Plews, Arthur G

Chief of Staff, Small Business Administration

Other Federal Government Positions Held During the Preceding 12 Months:

Deputy Chief of Staff: (01/27/2021 - 05/02/2022)

Electronic Signature - I certify that the statements I have made in this form are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

[/s/ Arthur Plews \[electronically signed by Arthur Plews on 2023-08-14 22:03:23 in FDonline\]](#)

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Agency Ethics Official's Opinion - On the basis of information contained in this report, I conclude that the filer is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations (subject to any comments below)

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1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

None

2. Filer's Employment Assets and Income

#	Description	EIF	Value	Income Type	Income Amount
1	Stripe (401k) Fidelity	No			
1.1	(Mutual Fund) FSSNX-Fidelity Small Cap Index	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$2,501 - \$5,000
1.2	(Mutual Fund) FXAIX-Fidelity 500 Index	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
1.3	(Mutual Fund) FSPSX-Fidelity International Index	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
1.4	(Mutual Fund) FSMDX-Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
1.5	(Mutual Fund) FSMAX-Fidelity Extended Market Index Fund	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
2	(Other) Restricted Stock Units in Stripe, Inc.	No	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000		None (or less than \$201)

3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

#	EMPLOYER OR OTHER PARTY TO AGREEMENT /ARRANGEMENT	CITY, STATE	STATUS AND TERMS	DATE
1	Stripe	San Francisco, CA, US	401(k) from former employer. My employer no longer makes contributions to this plan.	01 /2021
2	Stripe	San Francisco, CA, US	Stock shares in Stripe, my former employer. At the start of the reporting period I retained Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) that I received as compensation while at Stripe. In 2023, those RSUs became actual shares. when Stripe raised additional capital and removed the liquidity trigger on all previously vested RSUs.	07 /2018

4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

(N/A) - Not required for this type of report

5. Spouse's Employment Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	(S) Covington & Burling LLP (401k) Charles Schwab	No			
1.1	(Other) Schwab Indexed Retirement Trust Fund 2040	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		None (or less than \$201)
2	(S) Kecker, Van Nest & Peters LLP (401k) Milliman Benefits	No			
2.1	(Mutual Fund) VFFVX-Vanguard Target Retirement 2055	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		None (or less than \$201)
3	(S) (Other) Payflex HSA (cash account)	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
4	(S) (Spouse EI) Kecker, Van Nest & Peters LLP San Francisco, CA, US	N/A			

6. Other Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	(IRA) Vanguard	No			
1.1	(ETF) VTI-Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
1.2	(ETF) VWO-Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)
2	(IRA) Vanguard	No			
2.1	(ETF) VEA-Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)

2.2	(ETF) VOO-Vanguard S&P 500 Index ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
2.3	(ETF) VTI-Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
3	(S) (Mutual Fund) LGILX Laudus US Large Cap Growth Fund	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		\$5,001 - \$15,000
4	(S) (Mutual Fund) SFSNX Schwab Fundamental US Small Company Index	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
5	(ETF) Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
6	(ETF) Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
7	(ETF) Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
8	(ETF) Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
9	(S) (ETF) Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		\$2,501 - \$5,000
10	(S) (ETF) Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
11	(S) (ETF) Vanguard S&P 500 Value ETF	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
12	(S) (ETF) Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		\$2,501 - \$5,000
13	(S) (ETF) Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
14	(S) (ETF) Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
15	(J) (ETF) Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
16	(J) (ETF) Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
17	(J) (ETF) Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
18	(J) (ETF) Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$201 - \$1,000
19	(J) (ETF) Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$201 - \$1,000
20	(J) (ETF) Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$201 - \$1,000
21	(J) (ETF) Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)
22	(Cash Deposit/Savings) Charles Schwab Westlake, TX, US Checking & Brokerage (2 accounts)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	None (or less than \$201)

23	(S) (Cash Deposit/Savings) First Republic Bank San Francisco, CA, US	N/A	\$100,001 - \$250,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
24	(S) (Cash Deposit/Savings) Charles Schwab San Francisco, CA, US	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	None (or less than \$201)
25	(Cash Deposit/Savings) Ally Sandy, UT, US Savings	N/A	None (or less than \$1,001)	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
26	(S) (WLI) Northwestern Mutual 65 Life	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)

7. Transactions

#	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	DATE	AMOUNT
1	VIG - Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	sale	11/09/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
2	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	sale	11/09/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
3	VIG - Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	sale	11/08/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
4	VOO - Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	purchase	02/16/2022	\$15,001 - \$50,000
5	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	03/16/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
6	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	04/01/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
7	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/07/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
8	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/10/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
9	VOOG - Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	purchase	01/21/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
10	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	02/17/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
11	VOOG - Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	purchase	01/21/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
12	VOOG - Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	purchase	01/07/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
13	VOOG - Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	purchase	01/19/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
14	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	03/23/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
15	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/03/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
16	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/14/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000

17	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/04/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
18	VOOG - Vanguard S&P 500 Growth ETF	purchase	01/05/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
19	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/05/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
20	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	purchase	01/13/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
21	VOO - Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
22	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$15,001 - \$50,000
23	VOO - Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$15,001 - \$50,000
24	VOO - Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	sale	11/01/2022	\$15,001 - \$50,000
25	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
26	VEA - Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
27	VIG - Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
28	VWO - Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	sale	10/28/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
29	VTI - Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	sale	11/01/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
30	VEA - Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	sale	11/09/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
31	VIG - Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	sale	11/01/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
32	VWO - Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	sale	11/04/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000
33	FSMAX - Fidelity Extended Market Index Fund	exchange	11/01/2022	\$15,001 - \$50,000
34	FSSNX - Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	exchange	11/01/2022	\$15,001 - \$50,000
35	FSMDX - Fidelity Mid Cap Index Fund	exchange	11/01/2022	\$1,001 - \$15,000

8. Liabilities

#	CREDITOR NAME	TYPE OF LIABILITY	AMOUNT	YEAR INCURRED	INTEREST RATE	TERM
1	First Republic Bank; San Francisco, CA, US	Student loan	\$15,001 - \$50,000	2018	1.95%	5 years

9. Gifts and Reimbursements

None

Endnotes

PART	#	ENDNOTE
2	2	I held restricted stock units (RSUs) in Stripe, my former employer. The valuation above is based on the company's internal valuation for the shares, pre-tax, during the reporting period. The RSUs have since converted to shares, so I do not still hold the RSUs, but I now hold actual shares.
6	1.1	Exact income at fund level not found on financial statement. Income range estimated based on IRA annual income and relative size of fund.
6	1.2	Exact income at fund level not found on financial statement. Income range estimated based on IRA annual income and relative size of fund.
6	2.1	Exact income at fund level not found on financial statement. Income range estimated based on IRA annual income and relative size of fund.
6	2.2	Exact income at fund level not found on financial statement. Income range estimated based on IRA annual income and relative size of fund.
6	2.3	Exact income at fund level not found on financial statement. Income range estimated based on IRA annual income and relative size of fund.
6	18	Income estimated (statements show income at account level rather than fund level)
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6	20	Income estimated (statements show income at account level rather than fund level)
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8	1	Shared with spouse

Summary of Contents

1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

Part 1 discloses the following: Positions held by the filer at any time during the reporting period (excluding positions with the United States Government). Reportable positions include those of an officer, director, trustee, general partner, proprietor, representative, employee, or consultant of any for-profit or non-profit organization (whether compensated or uncompensated).

2. Filer's Employment Assets and Income

Part 2 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned and other non-investment income of the filer totaling more than \$200 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, fees, partnership share, honoraria, scholarships, and prizes)
- Assets related to the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities if the value of the asset at the end of the reporting period exceeded \$1,000 or if more than \$200 in income was received during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, anticipated payments such as severance payments, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents).

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

Part 3 discloses the following: Agreements or arrangements that the filer had during the reporting period for the following:

- Continuing participation in an employee welfare or benefit plan maintained by a former employer
- Leave of absence
- Future employment
- Continuation of payments by a former employer (e.g., severance payments)

4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

Part 4 discloses sources (except the United States Government) that paid more than \$5,000 in a calendar year for the filer's services during any year of the reporting period. The filer discloses payments both from employers and from any clients to whom the filer personally provided services. The filer discloses a source even if the source made its payment to the filer's employer and not to the filer. The filer does not disclose a client's payment to the filer's employer if the filer did not provide the services for which the client is paying.

5. Spouse's Employment Assets and Income

Part 5 discloses the following:

- Source of earned income (excluding honoraria) for the filer's spouse over \$1,000 during the reporting period.
- Sources of honoraria for the filer's spouse over \$200 during the reporting period.

- Assets related to the spouse's employment, business activities, other income-generating activities (1) that ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) from which more than \$200 in income was received during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents).

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's spouse's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF). Amounts of income are not required for a spouse's earned income (excluding honoraria).

6. Other Assets and Income

Part 6 discloses each asset, not already reported, that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in investment income during the reporting period. For purposes of the value and income thresholds, the filer aggregates the filer's interests with those of the filer's spouse and dependent children. This section does not include the following types of assets: (1) a personal residence (unless it was rented out during the reporting period); (2) income or retirement benefits associated with United States Government employment (e.g., Thrift Savings Plan); and (3) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, money market accounts) at a single financial institution with a value of \$5,000 or less (unless more than \$200 of income was produced). Additional exceptions apply. Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

7. Transactions

Part 7 discloses purchases, sales, or exchanges of real property or securities in excess of \$1,000 made on behalf of the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child during reporting period. This section does not include transactions that concern the following: (1) a personal residence, unless rented out; (2) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, CDs, money market accounts) and money market mutual funds; (3) Treasury bills, bonds, and notes; and (4) holdings within a federal Thrift Savings Plan account. Additional exceptions apply.

8. Liabilities

Part 8 discloses liabilities over \$10,000 that the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child owed at any time during the reporting period. This section does not include the following types of liabilities: (1) mortgages on a personal residence, unless rented out (limitations apply for PAS filers); (2) loans secured by a personal motor vehicle, household furniture, or appliances, unless the loan exceeds the item's purchase price; and (3) revolving charge accounts, such as credit card balances, if the outstanding liability did not exceed \$10,000 at the end of the reporting period. Additional exceptions apply.

9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

Part 9 discloses the following:

- Gifts totaling more than \$415 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.
- Travel reimbursements totaling more than \$415 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.

For purposes of this section, the filer need not aggregate any gift or travel reimbursement with a value of \$166 or less. Regardless of the value, this section does not include the following items:

1. anything received from relatives;
2. anything received from the United States Government or from the District of Columbia, state, or local governments;
3. bequests and other forms of inheritance;
4. gifts and travel reimbursements given to the filer's agency in connection with the filer's official travel;
5. gifts of hospitality (food, lodging, entertainment) at the donor's residence or personal premises; and

6. anything received by the filer's spouse or dependent children totally independent of their relationship to the filer. Additional exceptions apply.

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15. to another Federal agency or Federal entity, when the agency maintaining the record determines that information from this system of records is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in responding to a suspected or confirmed breach or in preventing, minimizing, or remedying the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity, the Federal Government, or national security.

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Reviewer Comments and Submission History

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