

# Executive Branch Personnel

## Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e)

### Filer's Information

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Schneider, McLain

United States Attorney, District of North Dakota, Department of Justice - Executive Office for United States Attorneys

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Other Federal Government Positions Held During the Preceding 12 Months:

None

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Names of Congressional Committees Considering Nomination:

- Committee on the Judiciary
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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/ Schneider, McLain [electronically signed on 08/11/2022 by Schneider, McLain in Integrity.gov]

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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).

/s/ Gary, Arthur E, Certifying Official [electronically signed on 09/22/2022 by Gary, Arthur E in Integrity.gov]

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Other review conducted by

/s/ Macklin, Jay, Ethics Official [electronically signed on 09/19/2022 by Macklin, Jay in Integrity.gov]

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U.S. Office of Government Ethics Certification

/s/ Apol, David, Certifying Official [electronically signed on 10/07/2022 by Apol, David in Integrity.gov]

## 1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

#	ORGANIZATION NAME		CITY, STATE	ORGANIZATION TYPE	POSITION HELD	FROM	TO
1	Community Violence Intervention Center		Grand Forks, North Dakota	Non-Profit	Board member	6/2012	6/2021
2	Red River Valley Community Action		Grand Forks, North Dakota	Non-Profit	Board member	8/2009	Present
3	Alliance for a Better North Dakota		Bismarck, North Dakota	Non-Profit	Board member	4/2020	Present
4	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC	See Endnote	Fargo, North Dakota	Law Firm	Owner	9/2008	Present
5	317 Kittson		Fargo, North Dakota	Limited Liability Company (property rental)	Owner	3/2017	Present

## 2. Filer's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC	N/A	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	Self-employment income (gross) from operation of law firm	\$2,034,489
2	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC Defined Contribution Plan	No			
2.1	American Funds Capital Income Builder Fund	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		None (or less than \$201)
2.2	American Funds Capital World Growth & Income Fund	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		None (or less than \$201)

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
2.3	American Funds Fundamental Investors Fund	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		None (or less than \$201)
2.4	American Funds Growth Fund of America Fund	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		None (or less than \$201)
2.5	American Funds Income Fund of America Fund	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		None (or less than \$201)
3	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC, one contingency fee case: Dillman v. Thygeson Construction (value not readily ascertainable)	N/A			None (or less than \$201)
4	North Dakota Public Employee Retirement System Companion Plan	No			
4.1	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2045 Fund Retirement Class Shares (TFRX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
5	317 Kittson (rental property management company)	See Endnote	N/A	Rent or Royalties	\$15,001 - \$50,000
6	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC, anticipated final distribution of firm revenue	N/A	\$100,001 - \$250,000		None (or less than \$201)

### 3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

#	EMPLOYER OR PARTY	CITY, STATE	STATUS AND TERMS	DATE
1	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC	Fargo, North Dakota	I will continue to participate in this defined contribution plan. The plan sponsor will not make further contributions after my separation.	9/2008

#	EMPLOYER OR PARTY		CITY, STATE	STATUS AND TERMS	DATE
2	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC		Fargo, North Dakota	Prior to confirmation, I will sell 100% of my interest in the Schneider Law Firm to one or more of my law partners who are practicing attorneys in the firm. Under the sales agreement I will retain the option for reemployment with the Schneider Law Firm in a non-equity salaried position following my tenure with the U.S. Government. I will also retain the option to repurchase 51% of the Schneider Law Firm at fair market value, as determined by a third-party assessor, following my tenure with the U.S. Government.	9/2022
3	North Dakota Public Employee Retirement System Companion Plan		Fargo, North Dakota	I will continue to participate in this defined contribution plan. The plan sponsor will not make further contributions after my separation.	1/2009
4	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC		Fargo, North Dakota	Upon my resignation from the firm and before assuming the duties of the position of US Attorney, I will receive a final distribution of revenue from the firm. This payment will be based solely on the firm's revenue and earnings through the date of my withdrawal.	9/2022
5	Schneider, Schneider & Schneider Mark G. Schneider, PLLC	See Endnote	Fargo, North Dakota	Upon confirmation, I will transfer to Schneider, Schneider & Schneider, Mark G. Schneider, PLLC all cases in which I have a contingency fee interest. I will retain an interest in one of these cases (Dillman v. Thygeson Construction) , which will be fixed as of the date of my withdrawal from the firm. The Department of Justice has reviewed this case and has determined that at this time the United States is not a party to this case and does not have a direct and substantial interest in this case.	7/2022

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

#	SOURCE NAME	CITY, STATE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES
1	Seventeen individuals: Minnesota workers' compensation clients	Fargo, North Dakota	Legal services. The names of these sources of compensation in these non-public Minnesota workers' compensation proceedings are excluded because that information is confidential as a result of a privileged relationship established by law and disclosure is specifically prohibited by a rule of a professional licensing organization. See Rule 1.6 of the Minnesota Rules of Professional Conduct. See also Minn. Stat. § 176.231, Subd. 9(a); Minn. Stat. § 13.02, Subd. 12.
2	Thirteen individuals: Social Security disability clients in non-public proceedings		Legal services. The names are excluded because that information is confidential as a result of a privileged relationship established by law and disclosure is specifically prohibited by a rule of a professional licensing organization. See Rule 1.6 of the North Dakota Rules of Professional Conduct.
3	Eleven individuals: clients in non-public personal injury proceedings		Legal services. The names of sources of compensation in these non-public proceedings are confidential as a result of a privileged relationship established by law and disclosure is specifically prohibited by a rule of a professional licensing organization. See Rule 1.6 of the North Dakota Rules of Professional Conduct. See also Rule 1.6 of the Minnesota Rules of Professional Conduct.
4	One individual: client in a non-public long-term disability proceeding		Legal services. The name of this source of compensation is confidential as a result of a privileged relationship established by law and disclosure is specifically prohibited by a rule of a professional licensing organization. See Rule 1.6 of the North Dakota Rules of Professional Conduct.
5	Shane Teigland	Roseau, Minnesota	Legal services.
6	Joanne Wilson	Moorhead, Minnesota	Legal Services
7	Ian Glen	Fargo, North Dakota	Legal services.
8	Maria Gonzalez	Fargo, North Dakota	Legal services.
9	Glenn Stark	Porter, Texas	Legal services.
10	Marsha Johansen	Fargo, North Dakota	Legal services.

#	SOURCE NAME	CITY, STATE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES
11	Greg Freeman	Grand Forks, North Dakota	Legal services.
12	Hannah Valles	Devils Lake, North Dakota	Legal services.
13	Barry Hanson	Fargo, North Dakota	Legal services.
14	Ashley Bailey	Forrest Hill, Louisiana	Legal services.
15	Michael Ramsey	Okeechobee, Florida	Legal services.
16	Lee Hibbs	Granbury, Texas	Legal services.
17	Cheyenne Naismok	Cheyenne , Wyoming	Legal services.
18	Corrina Albaugh	Grand Forks, North Dakota	Legal services.
19	Troy Fridgen	Wheaton, Minnesota	Legal services.
20	Ryan Tollefson	Fargo, North Dakota	Legal services.

## 5. Spouse's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

None

## 6. Other Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	Residential rental property - Grand Forks, ND	N/A	\$100,001 - \$250,000	Rent or Royalties	\$15,001 - \$50,000
2	Commercial property (law office) Fargo, ND 58103	N/A	\$250,001 - \$500,000	Rent or Royalties	\$5,001 - \$15,000
3	Commercial property (law office) with upper level residential rental property - Grand Forks, ND	N/A	\$100,001 - \$250,000	Rent or Royalties	\$5,001 - \$15,000
4	Commercial rental property - Grand Forks, ND 58201	N/A	\$100,001 - \$250,000	Rent or Royalties	\$5,001 - \$15,000
5	Undeveloped lot - Grand Forks, ND 58201	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
6	U.S. bank (cash) #1	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
7	U.S. bank (cash) #3 personal checking	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
8	North Dakota - 529 CollegeSave Account o/b/o child #1 - Aggressive Age-Based Option	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)
9	North Dakota - 529 CollegeSave Account o/b/o child #2 - Aggressive Age-Based Option	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)
10	American Funds Capital Income Builder Fund	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
11	American Funds Capital World Growth & Income Fund	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
12	American Funds New World Fund	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
13	North Dakota -529 CollegeSave Account o/b/o child #1 -Moderate Age-Based Option	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)
14	North Dakota -529 CollegeSave Account o/b/o child #2 - Moderate Age-Based Option	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		None (or less than \$201)



#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
15	U.S. Savings Bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)

## 7. Transactions

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

## 8. Liabilities

#	CREDITOR NAME		TYPE	AMOUNT	YEAR INCURRED	RATE	TERM
1	Bank of North Dakota		Student Loan	\$15,001 - \$50,000	2013	2.46	25 years
2	Cornerstone Bank	See Endnote	Mortgage (investment/rental property)	\$100,001 - \$250,000	2017	4.0	5 years
3	Rocket Mortgage	See Endnote	Mortgage (investment/rental property)	\$50,001 - \$100,000	2015	3.5	15 year
4	Mark and Mary Schneider and Steve and Donna Schneider	See Endnote	Contract for Deed	\$100,001 - \$250,000	2019	4.5	15 years
5	Chase Bank Mortgage	See Endnote	Mortgage on Personal Residence	\$100,001 - \$250,000	2021	2.25	15 year
6	PennyMac USA	See Endnote	Mortgage on Personal Residence	\$250,001 - \$500,000	2017	3.25	15 years

## 9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

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

### Endnotes

PART	#	ENDNOTE
1.	4	Please note that I have been an attorney for the law firm since 2008 and owner since 2014.
2.	5	317 Kittson is a real estate property rental company. It has no underlying holdings. The rental income is generated by the property at Part 6, Line 1 and is a reflected on both lines entries
3.	5	After the date of filing, I received full and final payment from Schneider, Schneider & Schneider Mark G. Schneider, PLLC, arising from my contingency interest in Dillman v. Thygeson Construction.
8.	2	Grand Forks, ND law office, neighboring building, and undeveloped lot
8.	3	Grand Forks, ND residential rental property
8.	4	Fargo, ND law office
8.	5	Fargo, ND primary residence
8.	6	PennyMac mortgage was paid off in 2021

# Summary of Contents

## 1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

Part 1 discloses positions that the filer held at any time during the reporting period (excluding positions with the United States Government). Positions are reportable even if the filer did not receive compensation.

This section does not include the following: (1) positions with religious, social, fraternal, or political organizations; (2) positions solely of an honorary nature; (3) positions held as part of the filer's official duties with the United States Government; (4) mere membership in an organization; and (5) passive investment interests as a limited partner or non-managing member of a limited liability company.

## 2. Filer's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

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 (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 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 agreements or arrangements that the filer had during the reporting period with an employer or former employer (except the United States Government), such as the following:

- Future employment
- Leave of absence
- Continuing payments from an employer, including severance and payments not yet received for previous work (excluding ordinary salary from a current employer)
- Continuing participation in an employee welfare, retirement, or other benefit plan, such as pensions or a deferred compensation plan
- Retention or disposition of employer-awarded equity, sharing in profits or carried interests (e.g., vested and unvested stock options, restricted stock, future share of a company's profits, etc.)

#### 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 & Income and Retirement Accounts

Part 5 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned income (excluding honoraria) for the filer's spouse totaling more than \$1,000 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, consulting fees, and partnership share)
- Sources of honoraria for the filer's spouse greater than \$200 during the reporting period
- Assets related to the filer's 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, (1) that ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) from which more than \$200 in investment income was received 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 in income was received). 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 the 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

This section discloses:

- 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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