

Executive Branch Personnel

Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e)

Filer's Information

Payne, Alexander

Director, Higher Education and Oversight Strategy, Department of Education

Report Year: 2022

Other Federal Government Positions Held During the Preceding 12 Months:

Special Assistant, U.S. Department of Education (1/2021 - 2/2022)

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/ Payne, Alexander [electronically signed on 02/28/2022 by Payne, Alexander in Integrity.gov]

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/ GENTRY, SARAH, Certifying Official [electronically signed on 04/11/2022 by GENTRY, SARAH in Integrity.gov]

Other review conducted by

/s/ GENTRY, SARAH, Ethics Official [electronically signed on 04/11/2022 by GENTRY, SARAH in Integrity.gov]

U.S. Office of Government Ethics Certification

Data Revised 04/11/2022

1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

#	ORGANIZATION NAME	CITY, STATE	ORGANIZATION TYPE	POSITION HELD	FROM	TO
1	Cornell Club of Washington, DC	Washington, District of Columbia	Non-Profit	Board Member and VP of Scholarships	9/2018	Present
2	Instacart	San Francisco, California	Corporation	Independent Contractor, Full-service Shopper	8/2019	Present

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

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	Roth IRA #1	No			
1.1	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund Investor Class Shares (VFIFX)	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		None (or less than \$201)

3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

None

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 & Income and Retirement Accounts

None

6. Other Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund ETF Shares (BND)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
2	Vanguard Value Index Fund ETF Shares (VTV)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
3	JPMorgan Equity Premium Income Fund Class I Shares (JEPIX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
4	Vanguard STAR Fund Investor Shares (VGSTX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
5	Worthy Peer Capital, Inc., bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
6	U.S. bank #1 (cash)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
7	SPDRNuveen Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond ETF (TFI)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
8	Visa, Inc. (V)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
9	Snap, Inc. (SNAP)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
10	McDonald's Corp. (MCD)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
11	Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (BRKB)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
12	Rocket Mortgage (RKT)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
13	Schwab US Broad Market ETF (SCHB)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
14	ARK Innovation ETF (ARKK)	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$201 - \$1,000
15	U.S. bank #2 (cash)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
16	Fundrise For-Sale Housing eFUND -Los Angeles CA, LLC	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
17	Rise Companies Corp. (online real estate investment platform)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
18	Upstart Holdings Inc. (UPST)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
19	SOFI Technologies Inc. (SOFI)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
20	Schwab US TIPS ETF (SCHP)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
21	Vanguard Intermediate-Term Corporate Bond Index Fund ETF Class Shares (VCIT)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
22	Fundrise Interval Fund	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
23	Cosmos (cryptocurrency)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
24	Redwood Trust, Inc. (RWT)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)

7. Transactions

#	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	DATE	AMOUNT
1	Apple, Inc. (AAPL) option expiration 07/16/2021	Purchase	01/27/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
2	GameStop Corp. (GME) option expiration 03/19/2021	Purchase	01/27/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
3	PELTON INTERACTIVE (PTON)	Sale	02/22/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
4	FEDEX CORP (FDX)	Purchase	02/16/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
5	GAMESTOP CORP (GME)	Sale	02/05/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
6	FOLEY TRASIMENE ACQUISITION CLASS A (WPF)	Purchase	03/15/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
7	FedEx Corporation (FDX)	Sale	03/19/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
8	FedEx Corp. (FDX)	Sale	03/19/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
9	Etsy, Inc. (ETSY) 06/18/2021 Put option	Purchase	05/04/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
10	Etsy, Inc. (ETSY) 06/18/2021 Put option	Sale	05/06/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
11	AMC Entertainment Holdings, Inc. (AMC) Call Option 8/6 expiration	Purchase	06/29/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
12	JPMorgan Chase & Co (JPM) Put Option 7/16 expiration	Sale	06/16/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
13	OKTA, Inc. (OKTA) Put Option 8/20 expiration	Sale	06/14/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
14	OKTA, Inc. (OKTA) Put Option 8/20 expiration	Purchase	06/14/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
15	Upstart Holdings, Inc. (UPST)	Purchase	06/18/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
16	Robinhood Markets, Inc. (HOOD)	Purchase	07/29/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
17	JPMorgan Equity Premium Income Fund Class I (JEPIX)	Purchase	09/08/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
18	Schwab US Dividend Equity ETF (SCHD)	Sale	09/08/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000

#	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	DATE	AMOUNT
19	Upstart Holdings Inc (UPST)	Sale	09/02/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
20	Anthem Inc. (ANTM) Call option expiration 10/29 Sell to Open	Purchase	09/15/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
21	Deere & Company (DE) Call option expiration 12/17	Purchase	09/07/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
22	Virgin Galactic Holdings (SPCE)	Sale	02/08/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
23	Weis Markets, Inc. (WMK)	Purchase	02/10/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
24	Facebook, Inc. (FB)	Sale	02/05/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
25	Chewy (CHWY)	Purchase	03/22/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
26	Chewy (CHWY)	Sale	03/31/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
27	Uber Technologies, Inc. (UBER)	Sale	03/25/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
28	Star Peak Energy Transition Corp. (STPK)	Sale	04/09/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
29	Star Peak Energy Transition Corp. (STPK)	Sale	04/09/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
30	Virgin Galactic (SPCE)	Sale	05/26/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
31	Square, Inc. (SQ)	Purchase	06/18/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
32	Workhorse Group, Inc. (WKHS)	Purchase	06/18/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
33	FOLEY TRASIMENE ACQUISITION CLASS A (WPF)	Sale	06/10/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
34	Pinterest, Inc. (PINS) \$76 Put Option 9/3 Buy (close out the position)	Sale	07/30/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
35	Peloton (PTON) \$120 Put 8/6 Buy (close out the position)	Sale	07/16/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
36	Mohawk Industries, Inc. (MHK) \$195 Call 8/20 Buy	Purchase	07/06/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
37	Salesforce (CRM) \$260 Call Option 10/15	Purchase	08/23/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000

#	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	DATE	AMOUNT
38	Robinhood (HOOD)	Sale	08/04/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
39	Zoom (ZM) \$360.00 Call Option 9/17	Purchase	08/30/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
40	SoFi (SOFI)	Purchase	08/17/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
41	Anthem, Inc. (ANTM) \$380 Call option 10/29 expiration	Sale	10/07/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
42	Upstart (UPST)	Purchase	11/19/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
43	salesforce.com, inc. (CRM)	Sale	11/10/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
44	Costco Wholesale Corp. (COST) Call Option 11/26 Exp	Sale	11/08/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
45	Costco Wholesale Corp. (COST) Call option 11/26 exp	Purchase	11/08/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
46	Weis Markets, Inc. (WMK)	Sale	12/23/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
47	Square, Inc. (SQ)	Sale	12/14/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
48	Clear Secure Inc. (YOU)	Sale	12/14/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
49	FedEx Corp. (FDX) \$250 Call Option 4/14/22 Expiration	Purchase	12/28/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
50	Cisco Systems, Inc. (CSCO) \$42.5 Call Option 1/21/22 Expiration	Sale	12/17/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000
51	Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (AMD) \$145 Put Option 1/21/22	Purchase	12/08/2021	\$1,001 - \$15,000

8. Liabilities

None

9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

None

Endnotes

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.

Privacy Act Statement

Title I of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended (the Act), 5 U.S.C. app. § 101 et seq., as amended by the Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge Act of 2012 (Pub. L. 112-105) (STOCK Act), and 5 C.F.R. Part 2634 of the U. S. Office of Government Ethics regulations require the reporting of this information. Failure to provide the requested information may result in separation, disciplinary action, or civil action. The primary use of the information on this report is for review by Government officials to determine compliance with applicable Federal laws and regulations. This report may also be disclosed upon request to any requesting person in accordance with sections 105 and 402(b)(1) of the Act or as otherwise authorized by law. You may inspect applications for public access of your own form upon request. Additional disclosures of the information on this report may be made: (1) to any requesting person, subject to the limitation contained in section 208(d)(1) of title 18, any determination granting an exemption pursuant to sections 208(b)(1) and 208(b)(3) of title 18; (2) to a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency if the disclosing agency becomes aware of violations or potential violations of law or regulation; (3) to a source when necessary to obtain information relevant to a conflict of interest investigation or determination; (4) to the National Archives and Records Administration or the General Services Administration in records management inspections; (5) to the Office of Management and Budget during legislative coordination on private relief legislation; (6) when the disclosing agency determines that the records are arguably relevant to a proceeding before a court, grand jury, or administrative or adjudicative body, or in a proceeding before an administrative or adjudicative body when the adjudicator determines the records to be relevant to the proceeding; (7) to reviewing officials in a new office, department or agency when an employee transfers or is detailed from one covered position to another, a public financial disclosure report and any accompanying documents, including statements notifying an employee's supervising ethics office of the commencement of negotiations for future employment or compensation or of an agreement for future employment or compensation; (8) to a Member of Congress or a congressional office in response to an inquiry made on behalf of and at the request of an individual who is the subject of the record; (9) to contractors and other non-Government employees working on a contract, service or assignment for the Federal Government when necessary to accomplish a function related to this system of records; (10) on the OGE Website and to any person, department or agency, any written ethics agreement, including certifications of ethics agreement compliance, filed with OGE by an individual nominated by the President to a position requiring Senate confirmation; (11) on the OGE Website and to any person, department or agency, any certificate of divestiture issued by OGE; (12) on the OGE Website and to any person, department or agency, any waiver of the restrictions contained in Executive Order 13770 or any superseding executive order; (13) to appropriate agencies, entities and persons when there has been a suspected or confirmed breach of the system of records, the agency maintaining the records has determined that there is a risk of harm to individuals, the agency, the Federal Government, or national security, and the disclosure is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the agency's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed breach or to prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm; and (14) 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. See also the OGE/GOVT-1 executive branch-wide Privacy Act system of records.

Public Burden Information

This collection of information is estimated to take an average of ten hours per response, including time for reviewing the instructions, gathering the data needed, and completing the form. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Program Counsel, U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE), Suite 500, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20005-3917.

Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and no person is required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number (that number, 3209-0001, is displayed here and at the top of the first page of this OGE Form 278e).
