

MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET

Name of Filer	Dee Sonntag
Reporting Period	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual report – covering calendar year 2022 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate report – covering April 13, 2021 through April 12, 2022
Type of Request	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal with No Change <input type="checkbox"/> Full Commission Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal with Change
Office Held/Sought & Term	Judge, Tacoma Municipal Court Term began January 9, 2023
Application Rule(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Income & Ownership Interest: WAC 390-28-100(b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Residence: WAC 390-28-100(1)(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(i) <input type="checkbox"/> Judge / Judicial Candidate: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(ii) <input type="checkbox"/> Spousal: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(iv) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: WAC 390-28-100
Explanation of Rule(s)	<p>Personal residence - Real property. Regarding reporting the information otherwise required by RCW 42.17A.710 (1)(h) through (k):</p> <p>(i) Under WAC 390-24-200, the filer must list the street address of each parcel, the assessor's parcel number, the abbreviated legal description appearing on property tax statements, or the complete legal description. Each property description must be followed by the name of the county in which the property is located.</p> <p>(ii) No modification will be necessary if the filer describes the real property using one of the alternatives in WAC 390-24-200, plus the name of the county. Judges, prosecutors, or sheriffs may describe a personal residence in the alternative manner provided under RCW 42.17A.710(2), and WAC 390-24-200 without a modification.</p> <p>(iii) A modification will be required if the filer seeks some other means to describe reportable real property including the personal residence of the filer. The commission may consider and grant such a modification to amend the description of a residential address to the extent necessary to protect the applicant or an immediate family member who has received a threat, has obtained a no contact order, or has presented a similar personal safety concern.</p>
Supporting Documents (attached)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior F-1 reports (filed April 21, 2022 & April 2, 2023)

Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judge Sontag is requesting a partial reporting modification retroactively that would exempt her from disclosing her personal residential address on her Personal Financial Affairs Statements (F-1 reports), covering the prior twelve months for her candidacy and her annual report covering calendar year 2022, due to safety concerns.• In her application, Judge Sontag cited threats to herself and her family.
Other Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judge Sontag has agreed to recuse himself if there is a conflict of interest between his duties as an annual filer and his personal interests.• PDC staff have informed Judge Sontag of the residential address alternatives set forth in WAC 390-24-200 for his future filings.• Judge Sontag’s records would be exempt from public disclosure if the Commission finds in accordance with RCW 42.17A.120 and WAC 390-28-080 that disclosure of such information would present a personal risk to a reasonable person.