

MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET

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| Name of Filer | KAREN DONOHUE |
| Reporting Period | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual report – calendar year 2016 <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate/Appointee report |
| Type of Request | <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Renewal with No Change – <u>original granted on April 28, 2011</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal with Change |
| Office Held/Sought & Term | Municipal Court Judge, City of Seattle Current term expires December, 2018 |
| Application Rule(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Income & Ownership Interest: WAC 390-28-100(b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Residence: WAC 390-28-100(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(1)(a)(c) |
| 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 shall 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 shall 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.</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 a modification, for example, when the filer or his or her immediate family member has received a threat, has a no contact order, or presents a similar personal safety concern.</p> <p>A prospective modification to allow nondisclosure of a residential address may be granted if the applicant or an immediate family member has received a threat, been issued a no contact order or presents a similar personal safety concern.</p> |
| Supporting Documents (attached) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current F-1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior order (if renewal) – April 21, 2016 |
| Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judge Donohue is requesting a renewal of a reporting modification that would exempt her from disclosing her personal residential address information, including street address, parcel number, or legal description, on her Personal Financial Affairs Statement for 2016. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judge Donohue stated that as a Seattle Municipal Court Judge, she presides over domestic violence and other criminal misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor cases. She said that she has been threatened by individual appearing before her.• Judge Donohue stated in previous requests that she has received threats from violent offenders, including one individual who harbors cannibalistic fantasies toward women. In 2014 a defendant appearing in her court on a harassment charge, who after being found guilty in another courtroom, appeared at the home of one of the court staff.• Judge Donohue stated that in December 2015 she received a threatening letter at her home from someone identifying themselves as a previous criminal defendant. She said it is possible that these individuals may try to locate her outside of the court and she is concerned for the safety of herself and her family. |
| Other Issues | Judge Donohue disclosed creditor information, payment terms, security given and mortgage amounts for her personal residence. |
| Staff Recommendations | Approve renewal of the reporting modification with no change. |