

MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET

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| Name of Filer | CHRISTON SKINNER |
| Reporting Period | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual report – calendar year 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate/Appointed report |
| 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, Island County Superior Court & Regent/Trustee – Skagit Valley College Judicial Candidate in 2020 Current Judicial Term Expires January 2025 |
| 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"/> Current F-1 for CY 2020 (filed April 6, 2021) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification Application |

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| Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judge Christon Skinner is requesting a partial reporting modification that would exempt him from disclosing his residential address on his Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) filed as a current annual filer and 2020 candidate for judicial office, due to safety concerns.• Judge Skinner stated that his request is being made to include the F-1 he submitted disclosing his residential address during calendar year 2020 prior to when he was an elected judge and not yet eligible for the address disclosure alternative described in RCW 42.17A.71(2)(a) without a Commission Order granting this exemption. |
| Other Issues | <p>As a current judicial office holder, Judge Skinner is now able to utilize the address disclosure alternative described in RCW 42.17A.71(2)(a).</p> <p>PDC staff have informed Judge Skinner of the residential address alternatives set forth in WAC 390-24-200.</p> <p>Judge Skinner'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.</p> |