## **MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET**

| Name of Filer   | AMIT RANADE   |
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| Reporting Period                                      | <ul><li>☑ Annual report – calendar year 2014</li><li>☐ Candidate/Appointee report</li></ul>   |
| Type of Request                                       | <ul> <li>□ New</li> <li>☑ Renewal with No Change – <u>original granted on July 22, 2013</u></li> <li>□ Renewal with Change</li> </ul>   |
| Office<br>Held/Sought &<br>Term                       | Commissioner, Public Disclosure Commission since 2011 Appointed term expires December 31, 2015  |
| Application<br>Rule(s)                                | <ul> <li>☐ Income &amp; Ownership Interest: WAC 390-28-100(b)</li> <li>☐ Personal Residence: WAC 390-28-100(d)</li> <li>☑ Attorney: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(i))</li> <li>☐ Judge / Judicial Candidate: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(ii))</li> <li>☐ Spousal: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(iv))</li> <li>☐ Other: WAC 390-28-100(1)(a)(c)</li> </ul>  |
| Supporting<br>Documents<br>(attached)                 | ☑ Current F-1<br>☑ Modification Application<br>☑ Prior order (if renewal) – <u>Order #3185</u>  |
| Background  | Mr. Ranade has disclosed the identity of clients for whom he did legal work during 2014. He has also disclosed government agencies for whom Hillis Clark Martin & Peterson performed legal work in 2014.  |
| Reason(s) for<br>Modification<br>(as stated by filer) | <ul> <li>Mr. Ranade is a partner of Hillis Clark Martin &amp; Peterson, PS, a private law firm based in Seattle.</li> <li>Mr. Ranade is requesting a reporting modification that would exempt him from listing the business customers that made payments of \$12,000 or more to the law firm of Hillis Clark Martin &amp; Peterson, PS, during 2014.</li> <li>Mr. Ranade stated that during 2014, Hillis Clark Martin &amp; Peterson employed 69 employees total including 38 attorneys and performed legal work for more than 835 clients in total.</li> <li>In 2014, Mr. Ranade stated there were 189 clients, including 41 that he personally did work with, that paid fees of more than \$12,000.</li> <li>Mr. Ranade stated that he is a member of the firm's Management Committee and he is the Corporate Secretary. He stated that he participates in setting the firm's annual budget, personnel decisions, and other firm policy decisions.</li> </ul> |

|                 | Mr. Ranade stated that he does not participate in the firm's day-to-day affairs and that the only client contact he has is with the clients for whom he performs legal work.   |
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| Other Issues    | Mr. Ranade stated that if any of his firm's clients were before the Public Disclosure Commission on an enforcement matter he would recuse himself. In addition, if any of the firm's clients appeared before the PDC to request modification or offer testimony he would disclose that relationship. |
| Staff           | Approve the requested reporting modification.  |
| Recommendations |  |