## **MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET**

Name of Filer	JENNIFER AZURE
Reporting Period	<ul> <li>Annual report (calendar year 2022)</li> <li>Appointee report</li> </ul>
Type of Request	<ul> <li>New</li> <li>Renewal with No Change</li> <li>Full Commission Approval</li> <li>Renewal with Change</li> </ul>
Office Held/Sought & Term	Judge, Benton County District Court Elected November 2022 Current term expires December 31, 2026
Application Rule(s)	<ul> <li>□ Income &amp; Ownership Interest: WAC 390-28-100(1)(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>
Explanation of Rule(s)	<ul> <li>Applicants whose spouse or registered domestic partner creates a reporting obligation for the applicant. When an applicant is required to report the activities of an entity solely because the applicant's spouse or registered domestic partner held an office, directorship, general partnership or ownership interest in the entity and the applicant does not have direct knowledge of the information that must be reported, the applicant may be allowed to satisfy the disclosure requirements of RCW <u>42.17A.710</u> (1)(g)(ii) and WAC <u>390-24-020</u> by disclosing reportable customers from whom compensation in excess of the disclosure threshold established under RCW <u>42.17A.710</u> (1)(g)(ii) has been received as follows:</li> <li>(A) All payments made by the agency or jurisdiction in which the applicant seeks or holds office to the entity;</li> <li>(B) The business and other governmental customers or clients of the entity whose identities are known to the applicant and whose interests are significantly affected by the agency or jurisdiction in which the applicant seeks or holds office. The commission may apply (e)(i) through (iii) of this subsection when the applicant's spouse/domestic partner is a lawyer, judge, or motor vehicle dealer.</li> </ul>
Supporting Documents (attached)	<ul> <li>Current F-1 (filed April 10, 2023)</li> <li>Modification Application</li> <li>Modification Order (Issued March 25, 2022)</li> </ul>
Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer)	<ul> <li>Judge Azure is requesting a renewal of her reporting modification that would exempt her from disclosing all of the reportable business customers that paid \$12,000 or more during the reporting period to Wildland Labs, Inc. dba Brandcraft, of which her spouse is Chief Executive Officer and has a 26% ownership interest.</li> <li>Wildland Labs, Inc. is a marketing company located in Richland with twenty employees, annual sales of 1.7 million and more than fifty customer accounts.</li> </ul>

	• Judge Azure indicated that some of the customers are publicly available and has provided a list of the reportable governmental customers as part of her Personal Financial Affairs report that were known to her at the time of her filing.
	• Judge Azure stated that identifying all reportable business customers would cause a competitive disadvantage to the company located in a small community.
Other Issues	Judge Azure has agreed to recuse herself if a matter came before her involving a conflict of interest between Wildland Labs, Inc. and Benton County District Court. Judge Azure has confirmed that Wildland Labs, Inc. received no payments from Benton County District Court. Judge Azure has reviewed her initial reporting modification request and has certified that there are no changes to the facts related to her request. Judge Azure's request could be granted through her current term of office as allowed in RCW 42.17A.120(1) and WAC 390-28-090.