

MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET

Name of Filer	CLAIRE SUSSMAN
Reporting Period	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual report – calendar year 2012 <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 March 25, 2010</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal with Change
Office Held/Sought & Term	District Court Judge, Pierce County Elected term expires December, 2014
PDC Protocol	<input type="checkbox"/> Attorney: Interpretation #02-03 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judge / Judicial Candidate: Interpretation #02-04 <input type="checkbox"/> Automobile Dealership: Interpretation #02-05 <input type="checkbox"/> Spousal: Interpretation #02-06 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WAC 390-28-100(1)(d)
Supporting Documents (attached)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current F-1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior order (if renewal) – <u>Order #3050</u>
Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judge Sussman 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 2012. • Judge Sussman is also requesting a renewal of a reporting modification that would exempt her from disclosing the address, parcel number, or legal description of real estate held in a family LLC in which she has an 18.6% ownership interest. • Judge Sussman stated that she presides over a variety of dockets that include persons charged with aggressive, violent and stalking behavior. She presides over cases including anti-harassment, domestic violence, and criminal assaults. She sentences people to extended time in jail and sets bail. She stated that persons that appear before her are often charged with violent, aggressive, and erratic behavior including threats and use of weapons. • Judge Sussman stated that as a former Prosecutor and Judge Pro Tem, she has always kept an unlisted address and that she is requesting a modification for the safety of her family. • Judge Sussman is also requesting a modification that would exempt her from disclosing the real estate address information concerning real estate owned by M & H Family RRE#2, LLC. She stated the property owned by this entity is the residential address of a family member. The family

	<p>member and Judge Sussman want to keep the address private due to concerns for safety.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judge Sussman stated that the property is not located in Pierce County and she has no decision-making authority over this real estate.• Judge Sussman stated that disclosing the address of her personal residence creates a “manifestly unreasonable hardship” on her and her family, in light of the types of cases she presides over and the sentencing of people that have exhibited erratic, violent, and mental instability.
Other Issues	Judge Sussman disclosed creditor information, payment terms, security given and mortgage amounts for her personal residence.
Staff Recommendations	Approve renewal of the reporting modification with no changes.