

## Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e)

### Filer's Information

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#### **Karem, Robert Story**

Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Department of Defense

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Other Federal Government Positions Held During the Preceding 12 Months:

None

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Names of Congressional Committees Considering Nomination:

- **Committee on Armed Services**
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Electronic Signature - I certify that the statements I have made in this form are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

**/s/ Karem, Robert Story [electronically signed on 03/22/2017 by Karem, Robert Story in Integrity.gov]**

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Agency Ethics Official's Opinion - On the basis of information contained in this report, I conclude that the filer is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations (subject to any comments below).

**/s/ Vetter, Ruth, Certifying Official [electronically signed on 04/27/2017 by Vetter, Ruth in Integrity.gov]**

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Other review conducted by

**/s/ Thompson, Scott F, Ethics Official [electronically signed on 04/27/2017 by Thompson, Scott F in Integrity.gov]**

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U.S. Office of Government Ethics Certification

**/s/ Apol, David, Certifying Official [electronically signed on 04/27/2017 by Apol, David in Integrity.gov]**

## 1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

#	ORGANIZATION NAME	CITY, STATE	ORGANIZATION TYPE	POSITION HELD	FROM	TO
1	Right to Rise Policy Solutions	Bentonville, Arkansas	Non-Profit	Independent Policy Consultant	5/2015	6/2015
2	Filer's Revocable Trust	Lexington, Kentucky	Trust	co-trustee	8/1997	Present
3	Hakluyt / Holdingham Ltd.	New York, New York	Corporation	Independent Consultant	10/2016	11/2016
4	Presidential Transition Team	Washington, District of Columbia	Non-Profit	Volunteer	12/2016	1/2017

## 2. Filer's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	Roth IRA	No			
1.1	Columbia Contrarian Core Fund (SMGIX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
1.2	Columbia Select International Equity Fund (NIEQX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
1.3	Columbia Select Large Cap Equity Fund (NSEPX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
1.4	Columbia Select Large Cap Growth Fund (UMLGX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
2	Standard IRA	No			
2.1	Columbia Large Cap Growth Fund (GEGTX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
2.2	Columbia Select Large Cap Growth Fund (UMLGX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
2.3	U.S. brokerage account (cash)	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
3	Standard IRA 2	No			
3.1	Fidelity Export and Multinational Fund (FEXPX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
4	Jeb2016 Presidential Campaign	N/A		Salary	\$14,762
5	Duke University - October 18, 2016	N/A		Honorarium	\$1,500
6	National Defense University - October 28, 2016	N/A		Honorarium	\$500
7	Hakluyt/Holdingham Ltd.	N/A		Consulting Fees	\$7,337

### 3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

None

### 4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

#	SOURCE NAME	CITY, STATE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES
1	Right to Rise Policy Solutions	Bentonville, Arkansas	Policy Consultant
2	Jeb 2016 Presidential Campaign	Miami, Florida	Foreign Policy Advisor
3	Hakluyt/Holdingham Ltd.	New York, New York	Independent Consultant

### 5. Spouse's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

None

## 6. Other Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	US Savings Bonds	N/A	\$50,001 - \$100,000	Interest	\$1,001 - \$2,500
2	GeneralAmerican, Whole Life Insurance	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
3	Residential Real Estate, Washington, DC (Sublet)	N/A	\$250,001 - \$500,000	Rent or Royalties	\$5,001 - \$15,000
4	Vanguard 500 Index Admiral Shares (VFIAX)	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		\$2,501 - \$5,000
5	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Admiral (VTMGX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
6	Vanguard Emerging Markets Index Fund Admiral (VEMAX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
7	Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund Investor (VIPSX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
8	Vanguard Long-Term Treasury Fund Investor (VUSTX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
9	Vanguard REIT Index Admiral Shares (VGSLX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$2,501 - \$5,000
10	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Admiral Shares (VSMAX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$2,501 - \$5,000
11	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Admiral Shares (VTSAX)	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
12	U.S. Bank Account #1 (Cash)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
13	Filer's revocable trust:	N/A			
13.1	Archer Daniels Midland (ADM)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$1,001 - \$2,500

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
13.2	AT&T Inc (T)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$1,001 - \$2,500
13.3	Cerner Corp. (CERN)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.4	Coca Cola Co (KO)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$201 - \$1,000
13.5	Exxon Mobil Corp (XOM)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$2,501 - \$5,000
13.6	Johnson & Johnson (JNJ)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$1,001 - \$2,500
13.7	Kimberly Clark (KMB)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$201 - \$1,000
13.8	Procter & Gamble (PG)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$201 - \$1,000
13.9	Schlumberger LTD (SLB)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends	\$201 - \$1,000
13.10	Stryker Corp (SYK)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$201 - \$1,000
13.11	Target Corp (TGT)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends	\$1,001 - \$2,500
13.12	Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund (XLE)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.13	Goldman Sachs ActiveBeta Em Mkts Equity ETF (GEM)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.14	iShares International Select Dividend Fund (IDV)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
13.15	iShares MSCI EAFE ETF (EFA)	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
13.16	Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets (VEA)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.17	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Fund (VO)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.18	WisdomTree Japan Hedged Equity Fund (DXJ)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
13.19	AQR Long-Short Equity Fund (QLEIX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500
13.20	Blackstone Alternative Multi-Strategy Fund (BXMIX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.21	Eaton Vance Floating-Rate Advantage Fund (EIFAX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.22	Hartford World Bond Fund (HWDIX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.23	Nuveen High Yield Municipal Bond Fund (NHMRX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.24	Prudential QMA Long-Short Equity Fund (PLHZX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		\$201 - \$1,000
13.25	Putnam Short Duration Income Fund (PSDYX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.26	Bank of America Corp., bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13.27	Block Financial LLC, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.28	Citigroup Inc., bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13.29	Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.30	HCA Holdings Inc, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.31	JP Morgan Chase & co, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13.32	Micron Technology Inc, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13.33	Pitney Bowes, Inc, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13.34	Wells Fargo & Co, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13.35	Western Digital Corp, bonds	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
13.36	Orion Futures Fund	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT	
13.37	Skybridge Multi-advisor Series G	Yes	\$100,001 - \$250,000		\$1,001 - \$2,500	
13.38	U.S. Brokerage Account (cash)	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)	
13.39	Chubb Limited (CB)	N/A	None (or less than \$1,001)	Capital Gains Dividends	\$15,001 - \$50,000	
13.40	Emerson Electric Co. (EMR)	See Endnote	N/A	None (or less than \$1,001)	Capital Gains Interest	\$5,001 - \$15,000
13.41	ABM Industries Inc (ABM)	See Endnote	N/A	None (or less than \$1,001)	Capital Gains	\$15,001 - \$50,000
13.42	Arrow Alternative Solutions Fund	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$201 - \$1,000	
13.43	AB High Income Advisor Fund (AGDYX)	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$2,501 - \$5,000	
13.44	Vanguard REIT index fund	Yes	None (or less than \$1,001)		\$1,001 - \$2,500	
13.45	SPDR Nuveen Barclays Californian Municipal Bond ETF (CXA)	N/A	None (or less than \$1,001)	Interest Capital Gains	\$5,001 - \$15,000	
14	Aetna Health Savings Account	No	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)	

## 7. Transactions

(N/A) - Not required for this type of report

## 8. Liabilities

#	CREDITOR NAME	TYPE	AMOUNT	YEAR INCURRED	RATE	TERM
1	SunTrust Mortgage, Inc.	Mortgage on Personal Residence	\$250,001 - \$500,000	2005	4.00	30 years

## 9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

(N/A) - Not required for this type of report

## Endnotes

PART	#	ENDNOTE
6.	13.40	Asset no longer held.
6.	13.41	Asset no longer held.



# Summary of Contents

## 1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

Part 1 discloses positions that the filer held at any time during the reporting period (excluding positions with the United States Government). Positions are reportable even if the filer did not receive compensation.

This section does not include the following: (1) positions with religious, social, fraternal, or political organizations; (2) positions solely of an honorary nature; (3) positions held as part of the filer's official duties with the United States Government; (4) mere membership in an organization; and (5) passive investment interests as a limited partner or non-managing member of a limited liability company.

## 2. Filer's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

Part 2 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned and other non-investment income of the filer totaling more than \$200 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, fees, partnership share, honoraria, scholarships, and prizes)
- Assets related to the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in income during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents)

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

## 3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

Part 3 discloses agreements or arrangements that the filer had during the reporting period with an employer or former employer (except the United States Government), such as the following:

- Future employment
- Leave of absence
- Continuing payments from an employer, including severance and payments not yet received for previous work (excluding ordinary salary from a current employer)
- Continuing participation in an employee welfare, retirement, or other benefit plan, such as pensions or a deferred compensation plan
- Retention or disposition of employer-awarded equity, sharing in profits or carried interests (e.g., vested and unvested stock options, restricted stock, future share of a company's profits, etc.)

## 4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

Part 4 discloses sources (except the United States Government) that paid more than \$5,000 in a calendar year for the filer's services during any year of the reporting period.

The filer discloses payments both from employers and from any clients to whom the filer personally provided services. The filer discloses a source even if the source made its payment to the filer's employer and not to the filer. The filer does not disclose a client's payment to the filer's employer if the filer did not provide the services for which the client is paying.

## **5. Spouse's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts**

Part 5 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned income (excluding honoraria) for the filer's spouse totaling more than \$1,000 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, consulting fees, and partnership share)
- Sources of honoraria for the filer's spouse greater than \$200 during the reporting period
- Assets related to the filer's spouse's employment, business activities, other income-generating activities that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in income during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents)

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's spouse's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF). Amounts of income are not required for a spouse's earned income (excluding honoraria).

## **6. Other Assets and Income**

Part 6 discloses each asset, not already reported, that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in investment income during the reporting period. For purposes of the value and income thresholds, the filer aggregates the filer's interests with those of the filer's spouse and dependent children.

This section does not include the following types of assets: (1) a personal residence (unless it was rented out during the reporting period); (2) income or retirement benefits associated with United States Government employment (e.g., Thrift Savings Plan); and (3) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, money market accounts) at a single financial institution with a value of \$5,000 or less (unless more than \$200 of income was produced). Additional exceptions apply. Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

## **7. Transactions**

Part 7 discloses purchases, sales, or exchanges of real property or securities in excess of \$1,000 made on behalf of the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child during reporting period.

This section does not include transactions that concern the following: (1) a personal residence, unless rented out; (2) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, CDs, money market accounts) and money market mutual funds; (3) Treasury bills, bonds, and notes; and (4) holdings within a federal Thrift Savings Plan account. Additional exceptions apply.

## 8. Liabilities

Part 8 discloses liabilities over \$10,000 that the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child owed at any time during the reporting period.

This section does not include the following types of liabilities: (1) mortgages on a personal residence, unless rented out (limitations apply for PAS filers); (2) loans secured by a personal motor vehicle, household furniture, or appliances, unless the loan exceeds the item's purchase price; and (3) revolving charge accounts, such as credit card balances, if the outstanding liability did not exceed \$10,000 at the end of the reporting period. Additional exceptions apply.

## 9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

This section discloses:

- Gifts totaling more than \$375 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.
- Travel reimbursements totaling more than \$375 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.

For purposes of this section, the filer need not aggregate any gift or travel reimbursement with a value of \$150 or less. Regardless of the value, this section does not include the following items: (1) anything received from relatives; (2) anything received from the United States Government or from the District of Columbia, state, or local governments; (3) bequests and other forms of inheritance; (4) gifts and travel reimbursements given to the filer's agency in connection with the filer's official travel; (5) gifts of hospitality (food, lodging, entertainment) at the donor's residence or personal premises; and (6) anything received by the filer's spouse or dependent children totally independent of their relationship to the filer. Additional exceptions apply.

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