

CITY OF TANEYTOWN
FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
January 1 through December 30, 2022
ELECTION 2023

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

FIRST NAME	INITIAL	LAST NAME
Christopher	G	Miller
CURRENT ADDRESS (WHERE YOU CAN BE SENT CORRESPONDENCE)		
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This financial disclosure statement describes all interests and related transactions and matters required to be disclosed by the City's Ethics Ordinance with respect to the period indicated and pertaining to the person filing the statement. The statement consists of this cover sheet, Schedules A through J, and a check list to be used by the Ethics Commission.

By signing below, I certify that I have read and understand the provisions of the City of Taneytown Ethics Ordinance contained in the Code of the City of Taneytown.

I hereby make oath or affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this financial disclosure statement, is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature of Person Filing: 

Date: 02/02/23

Instructions:

- Review and complete each attached schedule.
- Where a schedule is not applicable please indicate by checking the "no" box.
- These forms are required to be updated if any changes occur.

Notes/Definitions:

- Immediate Family includes your spouse and dependent children
- Attributable Interest means:

Any interest held by a member of your immediate family, if the interest was at any time during the reporting period, directly or indirectly controlled by you; or

Any interest held by a business entity in which you held a fifteen (15%) percent or greater interest at any time during the reporting period; or

Any interest held by a trust or an estate in which, at any time during the reporting period, you held a reversionary interest or were the beneficiary or the settlor of a revocable trust.

- Schedule A is asking for where you and your spouse work and sources of any and all income you receive.

Quasi-governmental entity means an entity that is created by State statute, that performs a public function, and that is supported in whole or in part by the State but is managed privately.

Schedule A - Employment/Source of Income

During the reporting period, did you or any member of your immediate family, receive any income or compensation of any kind, including in-kind goods or services, from any source (this also includes any governmental entity or quasi-governmental entity)? [Note that your dependent child's does not need to be disclosed unless the place of employment is subject to regulation or the authority of the City.]

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule B)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below.)

1. If, during the reporting period, you or a member of your immediate family received any income or compensation of any kind, including in-kind goods or services, from any source, list the relevant information below.

Name of individual: _____

Relationship to filer: _____

Name of Employer/source of income: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Name of individual: _____

Relationship to filer: _____

Name of Employer/source of income: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Schedule B - Business Ownership

During the reporting period, did you or any member of your immediate family, wholly or partially own any business entity whether or not any income or compensation of any kind, including in-kind goods or services, was received? [Note - you must disclose any business trade names or "t/d/a (trading and doing business as) name.]

[Note that your dependent child's business ownership does not need to be disclosed unless the business entity is subject to regulation or the authority of the City.]

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule C)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below.)

1. If, during the reporting period, you or a member of your immediate family, wholly or partially owned any business entity from which income or compensation of any kind, including in-kind goods or services, was received, list the relation, name and address of the business entity.

Name: Rachael Miller

Relationship: Spouse

Name of Business Entity: Laughing Cotten L C

Address: 1 Broad Street

City/State/Zip: Taneytown, MD 21787

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Name of Business Entity: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

If necessary, please use additional sheet(s) for any additional entries.

Schedule C – Real Property Interests

Do you have any interest (as an owner or a tenant, including interests in timeshares) in real property in Maryland or in any other state or country?

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule D)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule C will be required for each property you need to disclose.)

1. What is the address or legal description of the property?

Street Address 107A Tlevanion RD
City/State/Zip Taneytown MD 21787

2. What kind of property is it?

Improved (indicate whether property is residential or commercial property, etc.): Residential

Unimproved (vacant lot): _____

Principal Residence: Residential

3. Is the interest held directly by you or is it attributable to you?

Direct Attributable _____

4. Are you the owner or tenant?

Owner Tenant _____

5. Do you hold the interest solely or is it jointly held with another?

Solely _____ Jointly Tenants by the Entirety _____

If held jointly, or by tenants by the entirety, the name(s) of the other joint owner(s): Ava Miller

6. Are there any legal conditions or encumbrances on the property? (Example: mortgages, liens, contracts, options, etc.)

Yes
 No

If yes: what is/are the name(s) of the lender(s), creditor(s), lien holder(s), etc? Village Capital Mortgage

7. What date was the property acquired? Nov 2017

8. How was the property acquired? (Example: purchase, gift, inheritance, etc.)

Purchase

9. From whom was the property acquired? (Name of individual or entity from whom you purchased or inherited the property or who gifted the property to you.)

Jeffrey Marshall

10. Have you transferred any interest in this property during the reporting period?

Yes
 No

If Yes:

10.A. What percentage of interest did you transfer: _____%

10.B. What consideration did you receive for the interest (money, property, services?):

10.C. To whom did you transfer the interest: _____

11. Is any part or portion of this property leased or rented to individuals/entities which are not your immediate family? _____

If you have any additional interests in real property in Maryland, any other State or any other country, please use additional sheet(s), if necessary, and respond to each above question for each such entry.

1 Broad Street Tawertown MD 21787

Improved Commercial

Direct

Tenant

Jointly

Rachael Miller

Lease Contract

Sept 2021

Leases

No

Schedule D – Interests in Corporations and Partnerships

Did you have any interest in any corporations, partnerships, limited liability partnerships (LLP) or limited liability companies (LLC) during the reporting period whether or not the entity did business with the City? [NOTE: You do not need to include mutual funds or stock owned in a pension fund.]

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule E)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule D will be required for each interest you need to disclose.)

1. What is the name of the entity? Include the complete name of the entity, do not identify solely by trading symbol: _____

2. Does the stock of the corporation trade on a stock exchange?

Yes
 No

If "no," the legal address of the entity's principal office.

3. Is the interest held directly by you or is it attributable to you?

Directly: _____ Attributable: _____

4. Do you hold the interest in your name alone, or is it held jointly?

In your name alone: _____ Jointly: _____

If jointly, the percentage of your interest: _____%

5. What is the nature of your interest? (Example: stock, notes, bonds, puts, calls, straddles, purchase options, etc.) If in a non-publicly traded entity or LLP or LLC, report the percentage of ownership.

Type: _____
percentage of ownership: _____%

6. Are there any legal conditions or encumbrances that apply to your interest in the entity? (Example: mortgages, liens, contracts, options, etc.)

No

___ Yes: **If yes**, name of entity holding the encumbrance: _____

7. Did you acquire an interest in the entity during the reporting period?

___ Yes

___ No

If Yes:

7A. In what month was the interest acquired? _____

7B. How was the interest in the entity acquired? (Example: purchase, gift, will, etc.): _____

7C. From whom did you acquire the interest in the entity? (If you purchased it from a brokerage, the name of the brokerage): _____

8. Have you transferred any interest in this entity during the reporting period?

___ Yes

___ No

If Yes:

8A. What portion of the interest was transferred? _____

8B. To whom did you transfer your interest in the entity? _____

8C. What consideration did you receive for the interest in the entity? _____
(money, property, services?)

If you have additional interests in corporations, partnerships, limited liability partnerships or limited liability companies please use additional sheet(s) if necessary, and answer each of the above questions for each additional entry.

**Schedule E – Interests in Business Entities
Doing Business with the City**

Do you have an interest in any business entity that did business with the City during the reporting period which was not reported on Schedule B?

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule F)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule E will be required for each business entity to be disclosed.)

1. Name and Address of the principal office of the business entity, including any other names the business is trading as or doing business as.?

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

2. Is the interest held directly by you or is it attributable to you?

Direct: _____ Attributable: _____

3. Do you hold the interest solely or is it jointly held with another?

Solely: _____ Jointly: _____

If jointly, the percentage of your joint interest: _____%

4. Are there any legal conditions or encumbrances that apply to your interest in the entity? (Example: mortgages, liens, contracts, options, etc.)

Yes, If yes give name of creditor: _____

No

5. Was any interest acquired during the reporting year?

Yes

No

If Yes:

5A. What month was the interest acquired? _____

5B. How was the interest in the entity acquired? (Example: purchase, gift, will, etc.)

5C. From whom did you acquire the interest? _____

6. Did you transfer any of your interest during the reporting period?

Yes

No

If yes:

6A. What percentage of interest, if less than all, was transferred? _____%

6B. To whom did you transfer your interest in the entity? _____

6C. What consideration did you receive for the interest in the entity? _____
(money, property, services)

If you have additional interests in business(s) that did business with the City during the reporting year and were not reported on Schedule B, please use additional sheet(s) if necessary, and answer each of the above questions for each additional entry.

Schedule F – Officers, Directorships, Salaried Employment and Similar Interests of an entity that did business with City

During the reporting period, did you or any member of your immediate family have any salaried employment or hold any office or directorship with an entity that did business with the City?

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule G) *WAM*

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If Yes: (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule F will be required for each disclosure.)

1. What is the name and address of the business entity?

Name: Ava Mills

Address: 107 Trevanion RD

City/State/Zip: Taneytown MD 21787

2. Who was the individual who held the position or interest listed above? (Example: yourself, spouse, dependent child)

Self: _____ Spouse: _____ Dependent child: _____

Parent

2A. Name of spouse or dependent child: _____

3. What is the title of the office you, your spouse or dependent child held? (Example: limited partner, director, treasurer, chair of the board of trustees, etc.) _____

4. What year did the position begin? 2022

5. With what City Agency(ies) did the business entity do business? _____

Taneytown

If necessary, please use additional sheet(s) for any additional entries.

Schedule G – Gifts

During the reporting period, did you receive any gift(s), directly or indirectly, in excess of a value of \$20.00 or a series of gifts from the same donor with a cumulative value of \$100.00 or more from a person or entity who: 1) did business with the City or 2) engaged in an activity that was regulated or controlled by the City, or from an association or any entity acting on behalf of an association that is engaged only in representing counties or municipal corporations. Gifts received from a member of the official's or employee's immediate family, another child, or a parent of the individual, do not need to be disclosed.

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule H)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule G will be required for each gift.)

1. Who gave you the gift?

2. What was the nature of the gift? (Example: book, restaurant meal, theater tickets, book, etc.)

3. What was the value of the gift?

4. If the gift was given to someone else at your direction, list the identity of the recipient of the gift.

Please use additional sheet(s), if necessary, for any additional entries.

Schedule H – Debts Owed

During the reporting period, did you or any member of your immediate family owe a debt (excluding a retail credit account) to a financial entity that did business with the City? (see the list below)

Financial Institutions doing business with the City:

Truist Bank (formerly BB&T and SunTrust)

New Windsor State Bank (ACNB Bank)

Regions Bank

[NOTE: If, on Schedule C you listed a financial entity that did business with the City as the holder of your mortgage or other encumbrance, you must ALSO complete this Schedule H with regard to that indebtedness.]

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule I)

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If Yes; (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule H will be required for each debt to be disclosed.)

1. To whom did you owe the debt? (Do not include consumer credit debts)

2. When was the debt incurred? _____

3. What are the interest rate and terms of payment of the debt?

Interest Rate _____

Terms (monthly, bimonthly, annually, etc): _____

4. What was the amount of the debt as of the end of the reporting period?

_____ over \$25,000.00 _____ under \$25,000.00

5. Did the principal of the debt increase _____ or decrease _____ during the reporting period?

6. Was any security given for the debt?

Yes
 No

If Yes; Please state what type of security was given (home, car, boat, etc):

7. If this is a transaction in which you were involved, but which resulted in a debt being owed by your spouse or dependent child, identify your spouse or child and describe the transaction. _____

If necessary, please use additional sheet(s) for any additional entries.

Schedule I – Family Members Employed by the City

During the reporting period, were any members of your immediate family employed by the City in any capacity?

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule J)

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If Yes; (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule I will be required for each member of the immediate family who is employed by the City.)

1. What is the relation and name of the immediate family member employed by the City?

2. What is the name of the agency that employed the member of your immediate family?

3. What was the title of your immediate family member's position in the City agency during the reporting period? _____

If necessary, please use additional sheet(s) for any additional entries.

Schedule J – Disclosure of office, directorship or fiduciary relationship or organization located in City or related by the City

Did you or a member of your immediate family hold an office, directorship or have a fiduciary relationship with any organization, for-profit or not-for-profit, which is located in City, subject to regulation by the City, or does business with the City. [NOTE: Examples could be an officer/director of a Homeowners Association; Condominium Association; Civic/Service Organization; Fire/Rescue Company; Church Organization; etc.)

Yes
 No (Go to Schedule K)

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If Yes: (Answer each question below. A separate Schedule J will be required for each interest to be disclosed.)

1. Name of Organization: Laughing Coffin LC

2. Who was the individual who held the position (Example: yourself, spouse, dependent child)

Self: _____ Spouse: _____ Dependent child: _____

2A. Name of spouse or dependent child: Rachael Miller

3. Title of Position Held: Owner

If necessary, please use additional sheet(s) for any additional organizations.

Schedule K: Other

Is there any additional information you would like to include?