

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS For Use By Voting Members of, and Nominees to, the Regional Fishery Management Councils	1) Name: William Sword
	2) Council: WPFMC
3) Position: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member <input type="checkbox"/> Nominee	4) Type of filing: <input type="checkbox"/> Original filing [if nominee] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supplementary filing [if seated member] <input type="checkbox"/> Annual filing [if seated member]

GENERAL PROVISIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

Authority to Require this Information

Pursuant to Section 302(j) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) and the financial disclosure regulations at 50 C.F.R. 600.235, you are required to disclose your financial interests if you are nominated by the Governor of a State for appointment as a voting member of a Regional Fishery Management Council (Council), or if you are a voting member of a Council appointed by the Secretary of Commerce under Section 302(b)(2) or (b)(5) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

Disclosure Requirements

On the attached form, list the financial interests held by yourself, your spouse, minor child, or partner, and any organization in which you are serving as an officer, director, trustee, general partner, or employee. The nature of your participation in each financial interest, such as ownership (percentage), directorship, employee, or contractor, must be identified. The information to be listed does not require a showing of the amount of financial interest. You must include a description, for each such activity, of the fisheries participated in, the product type produced, and, where applicable, the gear type utilized. For example, if you own a one-third interest in a fishing vessel, your response might be: ABC Co, 15 Main Street, Brunswick, Georgia 31521; commercial fishing vessel "Miss AMY," ID - 123456; South Atlantic swordfish fishery, fresh swordfish, rod and reel; one-third ownership; John and Mary Doe (self and spouse). In the event any of the required information, including holdings placed in trust, is not known to you but is known to another person, you should request that other person to submit the information on your behalf and should report such request in the section titled "Information Requested of Other Persons."

Requests for Assistance or Additional Information

Refer to the financial disclosure regulations at 50 C.F.R. 600.235 for additional information. If you have any questions regarding the Statement of Financial Interests or related issues, please contact the Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 5882, Washington, D.C. 20230, or telephone (202) 482-5384.

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Public Access to Information

The Statements will be retained by the Council, made available for public review at reasonable hours at the Council Office, and at each public hearing or public meeting.

Information Requested of Other Persons. If any information is to be supplied by other persons, e.g., trustee, attorney, accountant, or relative, please indicate the name and address of such persons, the date upon which you requested that the information be supplied and the nature of the subject matter involved.

IF YOU HAVE NO APPLICABLE INFORMATION TO DISCLOSE, WRITE "NONE" IN THE SECTION, BELOW.

Name and Address	Date of Request	Nature of Subject Matter
NONE		

NOTE: If none, write "NONE" in the section above.

Certification

I certify that the statements I have made are true complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if during the period of my appointment, I undertake new employment, I must promptly file an amended statement, and I must also report any new financial interests acquired during this period. I also certify that I am currently familiar with the statutes, regulations, and policies governing my responsibilities and conduct as applied to the duties I am assigned.

NOTE: PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM, BELOW:

Signed: _____



Dated: _____

1/6/09