

**UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
2020 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

**Form A**  
For Use by Members, Officers, and Employees

Name: Filenon Vele Daytime Telephone: 202-225-9901

A \$200 penalty shall be assessed against any individual who files more than 30 days late.

(Official Use Only)  
**DELIVERED**

FILER STATUS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member of the U.S. House of Representatives	State: <u>TX</u>	Office or Employee	Employing Office:	Staff Filer Type: (Select one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Representative
REPORT TYPE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2020 Annual (Due: May 17, 2021)	District: <u>34</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Employee	Termination Date of Termination:	<input type="checkbox"/> Shared <input type="checkbox"/> Principal Assistant
	<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment				

**PRELIMINARY INFORMATION - ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS**

A. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child: a. Own any reportable asset that was worth more than \$1,000 at the end of the reporting period? <u>or</u> b. Receive more than \$200 in unearned income from any reportable asset during the reporting period?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	F. Did you have any reportable agreement or arrangement with an outside entity during the reporting period or in the current calendar year up through the date of filing?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
B. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child purchase, sell, or exchange any securities or reportable real estate in a transaction exceeding \$1,000 during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	G. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child receive any reportable gifts totaling more than \$415 in value from a single source during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C. Did you or your spouse have "earned" income (e.g., salaries, honoraria, or pension/IRA distributions) of \$200 or more during the reporting period?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	H. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child receive any reportable travel or reimbursements for travel totaling more than \$415 in value from a single source during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
D. Did you, your spouse, or your dependent child have any reportable liability (more than \$10,000) at any point during the reporting period?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	I. Did any individual or organization make a donation to charity in lieu of paying you for a speech, appearance, or article during the reporting period?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E. Did you hold any reportable positions during the reporting period or in the current calendar year up through the date of filing?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>ATTACH THE CORRESPONDING SCHEDULE IF YOU ANSWER "YES"</b>	

**IPO AND EXCLUSION OF SPOUSE, DEPENDENT, OR TRUST INFORMATION - ANSWER EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS**

IPO - Did you purchase any shares that were allocated as a part of an Initial Public Offering during the reporting period? If you answered "yes" to this question, please contact the Committee on Ethics for further guidance.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TRUSTS - Details regarding "Qualified Blind Trusts" approved by the Committee on Ethics and certain other "excepted trusts" need not be disclosed. Have you excluded from this report details of such a trust that benefits you, your spouse, or dependent child?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EXEMPTION - Have you excluded from this report any other assets, "unearned" income, transactions, or liabilities of a spouse or your dependent child because they meet all three tests for exemption? Do not answer "Yes" unless you have first consulted with the Committee on Ethics.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



**SCHEDULE A - ASSETS & "UNEARNED"**

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BLOCK A Assets and/or Income Sources		BLOCK B Value of Asset													BLOCK C Type of Income							BLOCK D Amount of Income												BLOCK E Transaction				
SP, DC, JT	ASSET NAME	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	NONE	DIVIDENDS	RENT	INTEREST	CAPITAL GAINS	EXCEPTED/BLIND TRUST	TAX-DEFERRED	Other Type of Income (Specify: e.g., Partnership Income or Farm Income)	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	P, S, S(part), or E			
	VELA LAW PRACTICE									X												LAW																
	STANLEY KIMBER BULKY																																					
	ROBERTA ROZANES																																					
	B Corps Christ																																					
	Blowell Hickman																																					
	Weney Loyd M, m, m, s																					Royalty																

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**SCHEDULE C -- EARNED INCOME**

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List the source, type, and amount of earned income from any source (other than the filer's current employment by the U.S. government) totaling \$200 or more during the reporting period. For a spouse, list the source and amount of any honoraria; list only the source for other spouse earned income exceeding \$1,000. See examples below.  
**EXCLUDE:** Military pay (such as National Guard or Reserve pay), federal retirement programs, and benefits received under the Social Security Act.  
**INCOME LIMITS and PROHIBITED INCOME:** The 2020 limit on outside earned income for Members and employees compensated at or above the "senior staff" rate was \$28,846. The 2021 limit is \$29,595. In addition, certain types of income (notably honoraria, director's fees, and payments for professional services involving a fiduciary relationship) are totally prohibited.

Source (include date of receipt for honoraria)	Type	Amount
<small>           Keene State            State of Maryland            Civil War Roundtable (Oct. 2)            Ontario County Board of Education         </small>	<small>           Approved Teaching Fee            Leadership Pension            Spouse Speech            Spouse Salary         </small>	<small>           \$8,000            \$18,000            \$1,000            N/A         </small>
VELA LAW OFFICES PLLC	SPOUSE DISTRI BUTION	N/A
Employee Retirement System of Texas	SPOUSE RETIREMENT	N/A

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**SCHEDULE D - LIABILITIES**

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Report liabilities of over \$10,000 owed to any one creditor at any time during the reporting period by you, your spouse, or your dependent child. Mark the highest amount owed during the reporting period. Members are required to report all liabilities secured by real property including mortgages on their personal residence. Exclude: Any mortgage on your personal residence (unless you rent it out or are a Member); loans secured by automobiles, household furniture, or appliances; liabilities of a business in which you own an interest (unless you are personally liable); and liabilities owed to you by a spouse or the child, parent, or sibling of you or your spouse. Report a revolving charge account (i.e., credit card) only if the balance at the close of the reporting period exceeded \$10,000. \*Column K is for liabilities held solely by your spouse or dependent child.

SP, DC, JT	Creditor	Date Liability Incurred MO/YR	Type of Liability	Amount of Liability											
				A \$10,001- \$15,000	B \$15,001- \$50,000	C \$50,001- \$100,000	D \$100,001- \$250,000	E \$250,001- \$500,000	F \$500,001- \$1,000,000	G \$1,000,001- \$5,000,000	H \$5,000,001- \$25,000,000	I \$25,000,001- \$50,000,000	J Over \$50,000,000	K Over \$1,000,000* (Spouse/DC Liabilities)	
Example	First Bank of Wilmington, DE	6/20	Mortgage on Rental Property, Dover, DE				X								
JT	PLAINS CAPITAL BANK	1/2010	F+M Pop-401			X									
JT	TEXAS NATL BANK	6/2015	PERSONAL NOTE			X									
JT	AMERICAN EXPRESS	5/2008	CREDIT CARD	X											
JT	LOUIS STATE BANK	1/2015	Mortgage			X									
JT	LOUIS STATE BANK	10/2016	LOC			X									

**SCHEDULE E - POSITIONS**

Report all positions, compensated or uncompensated, held during the current or prior calendar year as an officer, director, trustee of an organization, partner, proprietor, representative, employee, or consultant of any corporation, firm, partnership, or other business enterprise, nonprofit organization, labor organization, or educational or other institution other than the United States. Exclude: Positions held in any religious, social, fraternal, or political entities (such as political parties and campaign organizations); and positions solely of an honorary nature.

Position	Name of Organization

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SP, DC, JT	Creditor	Date Liability Incurred MO/YR	Type of Liability	Amount of Liability												
				A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K		
Example	First Bank of Wilmington, DE	5/20	Mortgage on Rental Property, Dover, DE				X									
SP	TEXAS NATIONAL BANK	10/2016	BUSINESS LOC			X										

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**FILER NOTES**  
(Optional)

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NOTE NUMBER	NOTES
1	REGARDING SCHEDULE "A" IN RETURN TO STATES K, INDCY BUCKNER PROPERTIES IN CORPUS CHRISTI TEXAS AND LOWELL ARKANSAS FILIALS PERCENTAGE OF PARTNERSHIP IS 30%, THE LOCATION OF THE PARTNERSHIP IS IN WHEELER COUNTY TEXAS AND THE NAME OF THE PARTNERSHIP IS REAL ESTATE
2	I inadvertently did not attach the Merrill Lynch account info in my 2017 2018 and 2019 filings, but nothing changed in regard to the account during those years. See amendment letter dated today and attached exhibit.



Online at: [www.mymerrill.com](http://www.mymerrill.com)

Account Number: [REDACTED]

24-Hour Assistance: (800) MERRILL  
Access Code: 63-682-11224

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FILEMON B VELA JR IRRA  
FBO FILEMON B VELA JR  
224 CALLE CENIZO  
BROWNSVILLE TX 78520-7406

**Net Portfolio Value:** **\$4,021.45**

Your Financial Advisor:  
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## FILEMON IRRA

October 01, 2020 - December 31, 2020

	This Statement	Year to Date
<b>Opening Value (10/01)</b>	<b>\$2,835.97</b>	
Total Credits	0.08	78.17
Total Debits	-	(11.69)
Securities You Transferred In/Out	-	-
Market Gains/(Losses)	1,085.40	(1,042.20)
<b>Closing Value (12/31)</b>	<b>\$4,021.45</b>	

ASSETS	December 31	September 30
Cash/Money Accounts	1,035.25	1,035.17
Fixed Income	-	-
Equities	2,986.20	1,900.80
Mutual Funds	-	-
Options	-	-
Other/Annuities/Insurance	-	-
<b>Subtotal (Long Portfolio)</b>	<b>4,021.45</b>	<b>2,935.97</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$4,021.45</b>	<b>\$2,935.97</b>

LIABILITIES	December 31	September 30
Debit Balance	-	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NET PORTFOLIO VALUE</b>	<b>\$4,021.45</b>	<b>\$2,935.97</b>



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**FILEMON IRRA**

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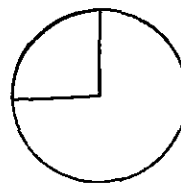
CASH FLOW	This Statement	Year to Date
Opening Cash/Money Accounts	\$1,035.17	
<b>CREDITS</b>		
Funds Received	-	-
Electronic Transfers	-	-
Other Credits	-	-
Subtotal	-	-
<b>DEBITS</b>		
Electronic Transfers	-	-
Other Debits	-	(11.69)
Advisory and other fees	-	-
Subtotal	-	(11.69)
Net Cash Flow	-	(\$11.69)

**OTHER TRANSACTIONS**

Dividends/Interest Income	0.08	78.17
Security Purchases/Debits	-	-
Security Sales/Credits	-	-
Closing Cash/Money Accounts	\$1,035.25	

**ASSET ALLOCATION\***

\* Estimated Accrued Interest not included; may not reflect all holdings; does not include asset categories less than 1%.



	Allocation
Equities	74.26%
Cash/Money Accounts	25.74%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

Having an asset allocation that reflects your profile and goals is key to achieving the right outcome. Consult with your advisor to determine an appropriate allocation across all your holdings.

**DOCUMENT PREFERENCES THIS PERIOD**

	Mail	Online Delivery
Statements	X	
Performance Reports	X	
Trade Confirms	X	
Shareholders Communication	X	
Prospectus	X	
Service Notices	X	
Tax Statements	X	



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**ACCOUNT INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

October 01, 2020 - December 31, 2020

**TOTAL RETURN:** Objective is to strike a balance between current income and growth. Despite the relatively balanced nature of the portfolio, the investor should be willing to assume the risk of price volatility and principal loss.

If you have changes to your investment objective, please contact your Financial Advisor(s).

**YOUR RETIREMENT ACCOUNT ASSETS**

CASH/MONEY ACCOUNTS			Estimated Market Price	Estimated Market Value	Estimated Annual Income	Est. Annual Yield%
Description	Quantity					
CASH	0.05			.05		
+BANK OF AMERICA, NA RASP	1,035.20		1.0000	1,035.20		.01
+FDIC INSURED NOT SIPC COVERED						
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>1,035.25</b>		<b>.01</b>

EQUITIES			Estimated Market Price	Estimated Market Value	Estimated Annual Income
Description	Symbol	Quantity			
PETROLEO BRAS SA ADR	PBRA	270.0000	11.0600	2,986.20	45
CURRENT YIELD 1.50%					
<b>TOTAL YIELD 1.51%</b>				<b>2,986.20</b>	<b>45</b>

LONG PORTFOLIO		Estimated Market/Contract Value	Estimated Accrued Interest	Estimated Annual Income
<b>TOTAL YIELD 1.12%</b>		<b>4,021.45</b>		<b>45</b>

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**YOUR RETIREMENT ACCOUNT CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS**

October 01, 2020 - December 31, 2020

Year-End Plan Value as of December 31, 2020: \$4,021.45

Contributions after December 31, 2019 for 2019: \$.00

For IRA, IRRA, SEP/IRA, SIMPLE/IRA ROTH IRA and ESA accounts, the Year-End Plan Value represents the valuation we must furnish to you and the Internal Revenue Service as part of the IRS Form 5498 reporting requirements.

**YOUR RETIREMENT ACCOUNT DAILY ACCOUNT TRANSACTIONS**

Date	Description	Transaction Type	Quantity	Transaction Amount	Commissions/ Trading Fees	(Debit)/ Credit	Cash & Money Fund Balance
09/30	<b>Opening Balance</b>						1,035.17
10/30	BANK OF AMERICA, NA RASP	Interest	.0100				1,035.17
	0.01000 DIV/INT REINVEST PAY DATE 10/29/2020 FROM 09-30 THRU 10-29 CUSIP NUM: 55499U915						
11/30	BANK OF AMERICA, NA RASP	Interest	.0100				1,035.17
	0.01000 DIV/INT REINVEST PAY DATE 11/27/2020 FROM 10-30 THRU 11-27 CUSIP NUM: 55499U915						
12/22	PETROLEO BRAS SA ADR	* Foreign Dividend				.05	1,035.22
	HOLDING 270.0000 PAY DATE 12/22/2020						
12/31	BANK OF AMERICA, NA RASP	Interest	.0100				
	0.01000 DIV/INT REINVEST PAY DATE 12/31/2020 FROM 11-30 THRU 12-31 CUSIP NUM: 55499U915						
12/31	BANK OF AMERICA, NA RASP	Income Total				.03	
12/31	<b>Closing Balance</b>						1,035.25

Dollar value of securities transferred in or out is for informational purposes only and is not included in the Net Total for the Daily Activity Section.

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