

Who must file a Statement of Economic Interests Form?

ANSWER: Sections 36-25-14 and 15 state:

- (a) A statement of economic interests shall be completed and filed in accordance with this chapter with the commission...by each of the following:
- (1) All elected public officials at the state, county, or municipal level of government or their instrumentalities;
 - (2) Any person appointed as a public official and any person employed as a public employee at the state, county, or municipal level of government or their instrumentalities who occupies a position whose base pay is seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) or more annually; (Effective August 1, 2012)
 - (3) All candidates, simultaneously with the date he or she files his or her qualifying paper or qualifies as an independent candidate; ('Nothing in this section shall be deemed to require a second filing of the person's statement of economic interests if a current statement of economic interests is on file with the commission.' Ala. Code § 36-25-15);
 - (4) Members of the Alabama Ethics Commission; appointed members of boards and commissions having statewide jurisdiction (but excluding members of solely advisory boards);
 - (5) All full-time nonmerit employees, other than those employed in maintenance, clerical, secretarial, or other similar positions;
 - (6) Chief clerks and chief managers;
 - (7) Chief county clerks and chief county managers;
 - (8) Chief administrators;
 - (9) Chief county administrators;
 - (10) Any public official or public employee whose primary duty is to invest public funds;
 - (11) Chief administrative officers of any political subdivision;

- (12) Chief and assistant county building inspectors;
- (13) Any county or municipal administrator with power to grant or deny land development permits;
- (14) Chief municipal clerks;
- (15) Chiefs of police;
- (16) Fire chiefs;
- (17) City and county school superintendents and school board members;
- (18) City and county school principals or administrators;
- (19) Purchasing or procurement agents having the authority to make any purchase;
- (20) Directors and assistant directors of state agencies;
- (21) Chief financial and accounting directors;
- (22) Chief grant coordinators;
- (23) Each employee of the Legislature or of agencies, including temporary committees and commissions established by the Legislature, other than those employed in maintenance, clerical, secretarial, or similar positions;
- (24) Each employee of the Judicial Branch of government, including active supernumerary district attorneys and judges, other than those employed in maintenance, clerical, secretarial or other similar positions;
- (25) Every full-time public employee serving as a supervisor.
(Effective August 1, 2012, Act Number 2012-509)

NOTE: Sometimes questions arise regarding whether an individual is required to file a Statement of Economic Interests form because that person doesn't clearly fit within one of the categories listed above. If you have any questions regarding your need to file a Statement, please email your question to info@ethics.alabama.gov.