# Statement of Financial Interests For Regional Fishery Management Council Voting Members, Nominees and Members of a Scientific and Statistical Committee

Who needs to file a financial disclosure?

You, because you were nominated by the Governor of a state or appointed by the Secretary of Commerce to serve as a voting member of a Regional Fishery Management Council (Council); or you are a nominee to or a member of a Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC).

What is the purpose of a financial disclosure?

The duties and responsibilities of your position require you to file the Statement of Financial Interests to fulfill the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. The purpose of this report is to assist you and NMFS in avoiding conflicts between official duties and private financial interests or affiliations. You may not vote on any Council decision that would have a significant and predictable effect on a financial interest disclosed in your report. Under penalty of law, please ensure that the information you provide is complete and accurate.

What must I disclose on this form?

The Magnuson-Stevens Act requires the disclosure of any financial interest in harvesting, processing, lobbying, advocacy, or marketing activity that is being, or will be, undertaken within any fishery over which a Council has jurisdiction. This also includes employment with an entity that provides consulting, legal, or representational services relating to harvesting, processing, lobbying, advocacy, or marketing activities. You must disclose such financial interest held by yourself; your spouse, minor child, partner; or any organization (other than the Council) in which you are serving as an officer, director, trustee, partner, or employee. This does not include financial interests in entities engaging in scientific fisheries research.

When do I need to file my financial disclosure?

**Nominees:** This form must be filed by each nominee for Secretarial appointment with the Assistant Administrator by April 15 or, if nominated after March 15, 1 month after nomination by the Governor.

**Members:** A seated voting member appointed by the Secretary must file this form with the Executive Director of the appropriate Council within 45 days of taking office; and must file an update with the Executive Director of the appropriate Council within 30 days of the time any such financial interest is acquired or substantially changed. All Council members must file this form annually by February 1<sup>st</sup> regardless of whether any information on the form has changed.

**SSC Nominees and Members:** Nominees to an SSC must file this form with the Regional Administrator for the geographic area concerned within 45 prior to appointment; and must file an update with the Regional Administrator for the geographic area concerned within 30 days of the time any such financial interest is acquired or substantially changed. All SSC members must file this form annually by February 1<sup>st</sup> regardless of whether any information on the form has changed.

**Questions?** 

If you have any questions about how to complete this form, please contact your Council Executive Director, NMFS Regional Office or the NOAA General Counsel for your Council.

### **PENALTIES**

Knowing and willful falsification of information required to be reported may subject you to criminal prosecution or subject you to civil penalties. It is unlawful for an affected individual to knowingly and willfully fail to disclose, or to falsely disclose, any financial interest as required by the Magnuson Stevens Act, or to knowingly vote on a Council decision in violation of this Act. In addition to the criminal penalties applicable, a violation of this provision may result in removal from Council or SSC membership.

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

Nominee or Member's Name ( <i>Print last, first, middle initial</i> )				
Name of Council or Council	Committee			
Type of Appointment (list N	ominee or Member)			
Type of Filing: □ Annual	□ Supplemental	Nominee		

#### Instructions

- 1. Carefully read the questions for Parts 1-3 on the following pages.
- 2. In Part 1, you must answer "yes" or "no" for each question provided. If you select "Yes," check the box by any applicable financial interest from the list below the question and provide the appropriate detail explaining your selection. If you need more room to provide detail, please attach those pages to this form.
- 3. In Part 2, you must answer "yes" or "no" for each question provided. If you select "Yes," check the box by any applicable financial interest from the list below the question and provide the appropriate detail explaining your selection. If you need more space to provide detail, please attach those pages to this form.
- 4. In Part 2, if you select "I have no spouse, partner, or minor children," you may skip the rest of Part 2 and move to Part 3. Answer Part 3, if necessary.
- 5. After you have completed the form, sign and date the form on the last page.
- 6. Submit the completed form to NMFS for Council nominees; to your Council Executive Director for seated Council members; or to the Regional Administrator for the geographic area concerned for SSC members or nominees.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act

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#### **Public Access to Information**

This form, as completed by seated members of the Regional Fishery Management Councils, will be retained by the Council, made available on the Council's websites, and made available for public review at reasonable hours at the Council's Office and at each public hearing or public meeting. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subjected to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number

## **Part 1: Personal Financial Interest**

## **Section 1.1: Assets and Ownership**

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Section 1.2: Employment		
Question 1.2.1  Do you have employment with any <b>company or business</b> engaged in the following act jurisdiction of the Council concerned?  O No	ivities in any fishery under:	the
O Yes		
Check all that apply:  ☐ Harvesting ☐ Provides equipment essential to any of the listed ac ☐ Processing ☐ Provides other services essential to any of the listed ☐ Marketing		
Please list and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include employment, company or business name and fishery or fisheries of interest.	de beginning date of	
Question 1.2.2  Do you have employment with a <b>fishing vessel</b> engaged in the following activities in a the Council concerned?	ny fishery under the jurisdi	iction of
O No		
O Yes		
Check all that apply:		
□ Processing		
☐ Marketing		
<ul><li>Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities</li><li>Provides other services essential to any of the above activities</li></ul>		
Please list and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please inclu of employment, vessel name, gear type and fishery or fisheries of interest.	de beginning date	

Question 1. Do you have e	imployment with any other entity engaged in the following activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of
O No	
O Yes	
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	Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
	and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of nt, entity name and fishery or fisheries of interest.
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O No	under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?
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	and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of att, entity name and fishery or fisheries of interest.
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	y providing any of the following services, or providing equipment or services essential to harvesting,
	bbying, advocacy, or marketing activities, in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?
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O Yes	k all that apply:
	☐ Consulting ☐ Harvesting
	☐ Legal ☐ Processing
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	<ul><li>□ Provides equipment essential to any of the listed activities</li><li>□ Provides other services essential to any of the listed activities</li></ul>

	describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of entity name and fishery or fisheries of interest.
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	Processing Lobbying Advocacy
	Marketing Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
	d describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of association name and fishery or fisheries of interest.
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	Processing Lobbying Advocacy
	Marketing Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
	describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of service, and fishery or fisheries of interest.

# Part 2: Financial Interest of Spouses, Partners, and Minor Children

If you have no spouse, partner, or minor children, check the box below and proceed to Part 3.   I have no spouse, partner, or minor children
Section 2.1: Assets and Ownership
Question 2.1.1  Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have any <b>stock, equity or ownership interest</b> (whole or partial ownership) in <b>company or business</b> engaged in any of the following activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?  O No
<ul> <li>Yes         <ul> <li>Check all that apply:</li> <li>□ Harvesting</li> <li>□ Processing</li> <li>□ Marketing</li> <li>□ Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
☐ Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
Please list and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include the percentage ownership or share holdings or any other monetary or in-kind enumeration of the company or business. Please include company or business name, date the interest began, and fishery or fisheries of interest.
Question 2.1.2  Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have any stock, equity or ownership interest (whole or partial) in any fishing vessel engaged in the following activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?
O No
Check all that apply:  Harvesting Processing Marketing Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
Please list and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include the percentage ownership or share holdings or any other monetary or in-kind enumeration of the vessel. Please include vessel name, company or business name, date the interest began, gear type and fishery or fisheries of interest.

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#### Question 2.1.3

Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have any <b>stock, equity or ownership interest (whole or partial)</b> in any <b>other entity</b> engaged in the following activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?	
O No	
O Yes	
Check all that apply:	
☐ Harvesting	
□ Processing	
<ul><li>Marketing</li><li>Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities</li></ul>	
Provides other services essential to any of the above activities	
Please list and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include the percentage ownership or share holdings or any other monetary or in-kind enumeration of the entity. Please include entity name, date the interest began, and fishery or fisheries of interest.	
Question 2.1.4	
Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have any stock, equity or ownership interest (wholly or partially) in a company, business, or other entity that provides any of the following services for any fishery under the jurisdiction of	
the Council concerned?	
O No	
O Yes	
Check all that apply:	
□ Consulting	
☐ Legal	
☐ Representational Services	
Lobbying	
□ Advocacy	
☐ Marketing	
Please list and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include the percentage ownership or share holdings or any other monetary or in-kind enumeration of the entity. Please include entity name, date the interest began, and fishery or fisheries of interest.	
Section 2.2 Employment of Spouse, Partner, or Minor Child	
Question 2.2.1	
Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have employment with any <b>company or business</b> engaged in the following	
activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?	
O No	
O Yes	
Check all that apply:	
☐ Harvesting	
Processing	
□ Marketing	
Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities	
Provides other services essential to any of the above activities	

Please list person and relationship and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of employment, company or business name and fishery or fisheries of interest.
Question 2.2.2  Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have employment with a fishing vessel engaged in the following activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?  O No O Yes Check all that apply: Harvesting Processing Marketing Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
Please list person and relationship and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of employment, vessel name, gear type and fishery or fisheries of interest.
Question 2.2.3  Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have employment with any other entity engaged in the following activities in any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?  O No O Yes Check all that apply: Harvesting Processing Provides equipment essential to any of the above activities Provides other services essential to any of the above activities
Please list person and relationship and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of employment, entity name and fishery or fisheries of interest.
Question 2.2.4  Does your spouse, partner, or minor child have employment with any company, business, or other entity that provides any of the following services related to any fishery under the jurisdiction of the Council concerned?  O No O Yes Check all that apply: Consulting Lobbying Legal Advocacy Representational Services
Please list person and relationship and describe each applicable interest, as indicated above. Please include beginning date of employment, entity name and fishery or fisheries of interest.

### Question 2.2.5

		employment with <b>any entity that either owns (wholly or partially) or is</b> roviding any of the following services in any fishery under the jurisdiction
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### Section 2.3: Service with an association or organization by Spouse, Partner, or Minor Child

Question 2.3.1  Does your spouse, partner, or mi	nor child serve as an officer, director, or trustee of any organization or association
	iles, vessels, or other entities engaged in any of the following activities in any fishery
under the jurisdiction of the Coul  No	ncil concerned?
O Yes	
Check all that apply:	
☐ Harvesting	☐ Consulting
Processing	☐ Legal
Lobbying	☐ Representational Services
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and describe each applicable in	ve requested information for Part 3. When available, have that person please list nterest. Please include the percentage ownership or share holdings or any other ion. Please include entity name, date the interest began, and fisheries of interest.
I certify that the statements I had correct to the best of my knowledge.	ave made on this form and all attached statements are true, complete, and ledge.
Signature	Date (mm/dd/nnny)