MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET

Name of Filer	STEVEN T. O'BAN
Reporting Period	☑ Annual report – calendar year 2012 □ Candidate report
Type of Request	 □ New ☑ Renewal with No Change – <u>Original granted April 22, 2010</u> □ Renewal with Change
Office Sought & Term	State Senate, 28 th Legislative District Appointed June 2013 State Representative, 28 th Legislative District
	Calendar Year 2012 until June 2013
	Mr. O'Ban is a state senator. He seeks a modification for the F-1 covering the reporting period when he was a state representative.
PDC Protocol	□ Attorney: Interpretation #02-03 □ Judge / Judicial Candidate: Interpretation #02-04 □ Automobile Dealership: Interpretation #02-05 □ Spousal: Interpretation #02-06 □ WAC
Supporting Documents (attached)	☑ Current F-1 ☑ Modification Application ☑ Prior Order (if renewal) – Order #3077
Background	Mr. O'Ban has disclosed the identity of clients for whom he did legal work for during 2012.
Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer)	Mr. O'Ban is a member of Ellis, Li & McKinstry, PLLC, a small Seattle law firm for which he has less than a 10% ownership interest.
·	Mr. O'Ban is requesting a modification that would exempt him from reporting the business customers that made payments of \$10,000 or more to the law firm of Ellis, Li & McKinstry, PLLC during 2012.
	 Mr. O'Ban stated that Ellis, Li & McKinstry, PLLC, is a small general practice law firm with 16 lawyers, and a total of 25 members and employees.
	 Mr. O'Ban stated he is not in a management position, and is not involved in the day-to-day operations of Ellis, Li & McKinstry. He stated he does not have access to the business customers of Ellis, Li & McKinstry, PLLC as part of his regular duties.

- Mr. O'Ban stated that to the best of his knowledge, the clients of Ellis, Li & McKinstry, PLLC are not listed in any "public sources or publications." Pursuant to PDC Interpretation #02-03, Mr. O'Ban stated that he provided the following information:
 Reportable business customers of Ellis, Li & McKinstry for which
 - 1. Reportable business customers of Ellis, Li & McKinstry for which Mr. O'Ban has done legal work;
 - 2. Ellis, Li & McKinstry business customers whose identities are public; and
 - 3. Ellis, Li & McKinstry business customers whose interests are significantly affected by the actions of Mr. O'Ban by the Washington State Legislature.
- Mr. O'Ban stated that during 2012, Ellis, Li & McKinstry received no payments from the Washington State Legislature. He stated there were no governmental customers that paid \$10,000 or more during 2012.
- Mr. O'Ban stated that approving his report modification request "would not frustrate the purposes of the Act to relieve the law firm of disclosing client identities with which only non-applicant lawyers have relationships and where the applicant has an ownership interest in the law firm of less than 10%."

Staff Recommendations

Approve renewal of the reporting modification with no changes.