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Connecticut State Marshal, Albenie Gagnon, Enters into Settlement of Over \$900 for Ethics Violation

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Albenie Gagnon of Rocky Hill, CT, agreed to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$917.85 for filing an inaccurate Statement of Financial Interests for the calendar year 2007.

All state marshals are required to annually file a report reflecting the amounts and sources of income over \$1,000 earned in the capacity of state marshal during the previous calendar year. The report that Gagnon filed for calendar year 2007 omitted one such source of income.

According to a consent order finalized yesterday with the Office of State Ethics (OSE), Gagnon admits the omission but cites his reliance on incomplete IRS 1099 forms and notes an error made by a third-party preparer.

“Proper disclosure is vital to transparency,” said OSE Executive Director, Carol Carson. “This transparency not only creates an informed citizenry, it ensures that public officials operate above-board.”

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