

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)

IN THE MATTER OF:)
COMPLAINT C2013-065)

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION,)
Complainant;)

vs.)

Isaac B. Dickson, Jr.,)
Respondent.)

BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

DECISION AND ORDER

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COMMISSION

Pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. § 8-13-320(10)(i)(Supp. 2012), the State Ethics Commission reviewed the above captioned complaint on March 20, 2013 charging the Respondent, Isaac B. Dickson, Jr., with a violation of Section 8-13-1140 and probable cause was found.

Respondent was noticed for a July 17, 2013 hearing. Present at the hearing were Commission Members E. Kay Biermann Brohl, Chair, Richard H. Fitzgerald, and Jonathan H. Burnett. Respondent was present and appeared *pro se*. Complainant was represented by Cathy L. Hazelwood, General Counsel.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Having carefully reviewed the evidence presented, the Commission finds as fact:

1. The Respondent, Isaac B. Dickson, Jr., was originally appointed to the South Carolina Department of Workforce Review Committee in 2010. He filed a 2010 Statement of Economic Interests form (SEI) in 2010 and 2011. He was replaced on the committee on March 20, 2011; therefore, he was not required to file a 2012 SEI.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Respondent was not a public official on April 15, 2012 as defined by Section 8-13-100(26).

2. The State Ethics Commission has subject matter jurisdiction, but not personal jurisdiction.

3. Section 8-13-1140 provides that public officials shall file a Statement of Economic Interests annually by April 15th if serving.

DECISION

THEREFORE, based upon evidence presented, the State Ethics Commission has determined that there is not probable cause to indicate that the Respondent, Isaac B. Dickson, Jr., violated Section 8-13-1140 as he was no longer serving in a position that required an annual SEI filing. The Commission has therefore dismissed the charges in accordance with Section 8-13-320(10)(i), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 18th DAY OF September, 2013.

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

E. Kay Biermann Brohl

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