

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

FOR COMMISSION USE ONLY:  
CASE NUMBER  
C 2022-147

COMPLAINT FORM

COMPLAINANT: State Ethics Commission  
ADDRESS: 201 Executive Center Drive  
Suite 150  
Columbia, SC 29210  
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (803) 253-4192

RESPONDENT: Nikki Fontana  
ADDRESS: 5750 Oyster Catch Drive Unit 813  
North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582  
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (843) 267-9152  
TITLE: Council Member – City of North Myrtle Beach

Section 8-13-1308, S.C. Code Ann., 1976, as amended, requires candidates to file Campaign Disclosures within ten (10) days of receiving or expending \$500; fifteen (15) days prior to each election; within ten (10) days of the end of each quarter; and a final report when the campaign account is closed. In addition, certified campaign reports detailing campaign contributions and expenditures must contain the total of contributions accepted, the name and address of each person making a contribution, the total expenditures made by or on behalf of the candidate or committee, and the name and address of each person to whom an expenditure is made from campaign funds. Pursuant to Section 8-13-1362 and Regulation 52-504 (C), the Pre-Election and quarterly report are required even when there have been no contributions or expenditures.

Records of the State Ethics Commission indicate that a Campaign Disclosure was due no later than January 10, 2019, April 10, 2019, July 10, 2019, October 10, 2019, January 10, 2020, April 10, 2020, July 10, 2020, October 10, 2020, January 10, 2021, April 10, 2021, July 10, 2021, January 10, 2022, April 10, 2022, July 10, 2022, and October 10, 2022. In addition, a Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure was due between October 13, 2021 and October 18, 2021. Respondent was sent an email reminder thirty days before each Campaign Disclosure deadline.


Respondent was reminded of the filing requirement by a certified letter dated May 26, 2022 as described in the attached. To date, a properly completed Pre-Election, Quarter 4 2018, Quarter 1 2019, Quarter 2 2019, Quarter 3 2019, Quarter 4 2019, Quarter 1 2020, Quarter 2 2020, Quarter 3 2020, Quarter 4 2020, Quarter 1 2021, Quarter 2 2021, Quarter 4 2021, Quarter 1 2022, Quarter 2 2022, or Quarter 3 2022 Campaign Disclosure has not been received. All in violation of Section 8-13-1308(A), Section 8-13-1308 (B), Section 8-13-1308(D)(1), and Section 8-13-1308 (F), S.C. Code Ann., 1976, as amended.


If there is a finding of probable cause, the following documents become public record: the complaint, the response (if any) by respondent, and the notice of hearing. If a hearing is to be held, the final order and all exhibits become public record. If no hearing is held following a finding of probable cause, the final disposition of the matter becomes public record.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF Richland

Personally appeared before me Meghan L. Walker who, first being duly sworn, says that she has read and knows the contents of the above complaint and that the allegations contained therein, are true and correct to the best of her own knowledge, except for those matters therein based upon information and belief, and as to those she believes them to be true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2022

  
Meghan L. Walker, Executive Director

  
Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission expires 01/22/24

SEC-7 (Revised 3/2022)

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The following allegations will be heard:

**COUNT ONE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(D)(1), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file a 2021 Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Report (CDR), in violation of Section 8-13-1308(D)(1).

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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SIX**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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**COUNT NINE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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**COUNT TEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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**COUNT ELEVEN**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TWELVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 16, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Keith Hinson, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from AM & RD Title Agency, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FOURTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Robert Guyton, PC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Founders National Golf, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SIXTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 20, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Big Block Properties, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SEVENTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report a September 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Ten Mile, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT EIGHTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Dylan Andrew, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT NINETEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Charles A. Brown, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Beach Homes of NMB, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from KTAD Holdings, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 6, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Cleaning and Lines, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$999.00 from Convenience Store & More, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Big Survey Service and Supply, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 11, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Robert and Deborah Wilfong Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 12, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Development Resources Group, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 14, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Michael & Cynthia Campbell, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from AO Hardee & Son, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Donald & Wendy Pleasants, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$750.00 from Barefoot Zoological Gardens, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$400.00 from DMAC Enterprises, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 26, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Penny Chimile, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Thomas Staats, Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Foxfire Communicants, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Jon Coyne, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Pre-Election CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$67.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$315.00 to Sand Dollar, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Outdoor gosq.com, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$331.56 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 13, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 9, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$635.00 to Political Marketing International, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,416.00 to NMB Times, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a March 21, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$83.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 4, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a December 14, 2023 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$113.00 to DDA withdrawal, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a June 11, 2024 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

You have the right to be represented by counsel, the right to call and examine witnesses, the right to introduce exhibits, and the right to cross-examine opposing witnesses. This hearing will be open to the public as required by Section 8-13-320(10)(j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended. The procedures to be followed are set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 1-23-10, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the State Ethics Act, Section 8-13-100, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.).

A pre-hearing conference may be scheduled prior to the hearing to allow exchange of

witness lists and evidence, marking of exhibits, and disposition of motions or pleadings. In the event you fail to appear, judgment by default will be rendered against you. If there are any questions concerning the above notice or hearing times, please contact the State Ethics Commission.



Meghan Walker Dayson, Executive Director  
State Ethics Commission

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day,  
of December 2024.

Certificate of Service by Certified Mail

I hereby certify that a copy of this **NOTICE OF HEARING** was duly served on the RESPONDENT Nikki Fontana, 5750 Oyster Catch Drive, Unit 813, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582 by depositing said **NOTICE OF HEARING** in the United States mail, Columbia, South Carolina on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2024, by CERTIFIED MAIL, E-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, appropriate postage affixed, and a return address clearly indicated on said envelope.



**Rachael O'Bryan, Administrative Assistant**  
State Ethics Commission

Columbia, South Carolina

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**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SIX**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT EIGHT**

**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT  
SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 3 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT NINE**

**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT  
SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TEN**

**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT  
SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT ELEVEN**

**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT  
SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TWELVE**

**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION  
SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 16, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Keith Hinson, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Robert Guyton, PC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Founders National Golf, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SIXTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 20, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Big Block Properties, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SEVENTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report a September 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Ten Mile, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT EIGHTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Dylan Andrew, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT NINETEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Charles A. Brown, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Beach Homes of NMB, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from KTAD Holdings, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 6, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Cleaning and Lines, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$999.00 from Convenience Store & More, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Big Survey Service and Supply, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 11, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Robert and Deborah Wilfong Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 12, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Development Resources Group, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 14, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Michael & Cynthia Campbell, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from AO Hardee & Son, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Donald & Wendy Pleasants, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$750.00 from Barefoot Zoological Gardens, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$400.00 from DMAC Enterprises, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 26, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Penny Chimile, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Thomas Staats, Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Foxfire Communicants, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Jon Coyne, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Pre-Election CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$67.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$315.00 to Sand Dollar, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Outdoor gosq.com, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$331.56 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 13, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 9, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$635.00 to Political Marketing International, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,416.00 to NMB Times, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a March 21, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$83.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 4, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a December 14, 2023 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$113.00 to DDA withdrawal, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a June 11, 2024 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

You have the right to be represented by counsel, the right to call and examine witnesses, the right to introduce exhibits, and the right to cross-examine opposing witnesses. This hearing will be open to the public as required by Section 8-13-320(10)(j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended. The procedures to be followed are set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 1-23-10, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the State Ethics Act, Section 8-13-100, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.).

A pre-hearing conference may be scheduled prior to the hearing to allow exchange of

witness lists and evidence, marking of exhibits, and disposition of motions or pleadings. In the event you fail to appear, judgment by default will be rendered against you. If there are any questions concerning the above notice or hearing times, please contact the State Ethics Commission.



Meghan Walker Dayson, Executive Director  
State Ethics Commission

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day,  
of May 2025.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF RICHLAND )  
IN THE MATTER OF: )  
Complaint C2022-147 )  
State Ethics Commission )  
Complainant. )  
Nikki Fontana )  
Respondent. )  
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BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

**THIRD AMENDED  
NOTICE OF HEARING**

The State Ethics Commission has determined that there is probable cause pursuant to Section 8-13-320(10)(i), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, in the above-captioned complaint. The Commission will convene a formal hearing into the matter in accordance with Section 8-13-320(10)(i) & (j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.) on Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission Hearing Room located at: 201 Executive Center Drive, Suite 150, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

The following allegations will be heard:

**COUNT ONE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(D)(1), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file a 2021 Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Report (CDR), in violation of Section 8-13-1308(D)(1).

**COUNT TWO**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

file 2022 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT THREE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 3 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SIX**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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**COUNT SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TEN**  
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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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**COUNT THIRTEEN**  
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**COUNT SIXTEEN**  
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**COUNT SEVENTEEN**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

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**COUNT EIGHTEEN**  
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**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Dylan Andrew, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT NINETEEN**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Beach Homes of NMB, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 6, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Cleaning and Lines, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$999.00 from Convenience Store & More, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Donald & Wendy Pleasants, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$750.00 from Barefoot Zoological Gardens, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 26, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Penny Chimile, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Thomas Staats, Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Foxfire Communicants, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Jon Coyne, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Pre-Election CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$67.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$315.00 to Sand Dollar, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Outdoor gosq.com, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$331.56 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 13, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 9, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$635.00 to Political Marketing International, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,416.00 to NMB Times, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a March 21, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$83.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 4, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a December 14, 2023 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$113.00 to DDA withdrawal, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a June 11, 2024 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

You have the right to be represented by counsel, the right to call and examine witnesses, the right to introduce exhibits, and the right to cross-examine opposing witnesses. This hearing will be open to the public as required by Section 8-13-320(10)(j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended. The procedures to be followed are set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 1-23-10, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the State Ethics Act, Section 8-13-100, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.).

A pre-hearing conference may be scheduled prior to the hearing to allow exchange of

witness lists and evidence, marking of exhibits, and disposition of motions or pleadings. In the event you fail to appear, judgment by default will be rendered against you. If there are any questions concerning the above notice or hearing times, please contact the State Ethics Commission.



Meghan Walker Dayson, Executive Director  
State Ethics Commission

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day,  
of October 2025.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF RICHLAND )  
IN THE MATTER OF: )  
Complaint C2022-147 )  
State Ethics Commission )  
Complainant. )  
Nikki Fontana )  
Respondent. )  
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BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

**FOURTH AMENDED  
NOTICE OF HEARING**

The State Ethics Commission has determined that there is probable cause pursuant to Section 8-13-320(10)(i), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, in the above-captioned complaint. The Commission will convene a formal hearing into the matter in accordance with Section 8-13-320(10)(i) & (j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.) on Thursday, April 16, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission Hearing Room located at: 201 Executive Center Drive, Suite 150, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

The following allegations will be heard:

**COUNT ONE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(D)(1), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file a 2021 Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Report (CDR), in violation of Section 8-13-1308(D)(1).

**COUNT TWO**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

file 2022 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT THREE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 3 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SIX**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 3 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT NINE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT ELEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TWELVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 16, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Keith Hinson, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from AM & RD Title Agency, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FOURTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Robert Guyton, PC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Founders National Golf, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SIXTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 20, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Big Block Properties, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SEVENTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report a September 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Ten Mile, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT EIGHTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Dylan Andrew, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT NINETEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Charles A. Brown, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Beach Homes of NMB, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from KTAD Holdings, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 6, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Cleaning and Lines, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$999.00 from Convenience Store & More, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Big Survey Service and Supply, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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**COUNT TWENTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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report an October 12, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Development Resources Group, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 14, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Michael & Cynthia Campbell, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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**COUNT TWENTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Donald & Wendy Pleasants, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$750.00 from Barefoot Zoological Gardens, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$400.00 from DMAC Enterprises, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 26, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Penny Chimile, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Thomas Staats, Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

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**COUNT THIRTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Jon Coyne, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Pre-Election CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
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That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

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**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$67.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$315.00 to Sand Dollar, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Outdoor gosq.com, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$331.56 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 13, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 9, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$635.00 to Political Marketing International, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,416.00 to NMB Times, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a March 21, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$83.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 4, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a December 14, 2023 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$113.00 to DDA withdrawal, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a June 11, 2024 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

You have the right to be represented by counsel, the right to call and examine witnesses, the right to introduce exhibits, and the right to cross-examine opposing witnesses. This hearing will be open to the public as required by Section 8-13-320(10)(j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended. The procedures to be followed are set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 1-23-10, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the State Ethics Act, Section 8-13-100, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.).

A pre-hearing conference may be scheduled prior to the hearing to allow exchange of

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witness lists and evidence, marking of exhibits, and disposition of motions or pleadings. In the event you fail to appear, judgment by default will be rendered against you. If there are any questions concerning the above notice or hearing times, please contact the State Ethics Commission.



Meghan Walker Dayson, Executive Director  
State Ethics Commission

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day,  
of January 2026.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF RICHLAND )  
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IN THE MATTER OF: )  
COMPLAINT C2022-147 )  
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State Ethics Commission, )  
Complainant, )  
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Nikki Fontana, )  
Respondent. )  
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BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

**MOTION FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

Pursuant to Section 8-13-320(10) of the South Carolina Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act (Ethics Act) and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-206 and 52-703(C), the undersigned hereby seeks an Order authorizing Commission staff to serve Respondent with a Notice of Hearing via publication. This motion is based on the following:

1. The above-captioned complaint was filed on November 21, 2022. The complaint alleged that Respondent, former Councilmember of the City of North Myrtle Beach, failed to timely file numerous Campaign Disclosure Reports (CDR) in violation of Section 8-13-1308 of the Ethics Act.

2. On September 19, 2024, the Commission found probable cause to believe Respondent violated the Ethics Act and issued a Notice of Hearing charging Respondent with the following: one (1) count of violating Section 8-13-1308(D)(1) for failing to timely file a 2021 Pre-Election CDR, ten (10) counts of violating Section 8-13-1308(B) for failing to timely file ten (10) quarterly CDRs, and forty (40) counts of violating Section 8-13-1308(F) for failing to properly disclose campaign contributions and expenditures.

3. Since September 19, 2024, Commission staff has attempted to serve Respondent with the Notice of Hearing numerous times using multiple methods. See Attachments: Affidavits of Commission Investigators Ryanne Caldwell, William White, and Reginald Gaymon. To date, and

despite the diligent efforts as outlined in the attachments, Commission staff has been unable to successfully serve Respondent with the Notice of Hearing using traditional means.

4. Accordingly, Commission staff asks that an Order be entered authorizing Commission staff to serve the Notice of Hearing on Respondent via publication in the Myrtle Beach Sun Times, which is a newspaper of general circulation in Respondent's last known County of residence, and that such publication occur once per week for three (3) weeks.

Respectfully submitted,



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March 12, 2026  
Columbia, South Carolina

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	
COUNTY OF RICHLAND	)	BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
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IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
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Complaint C2022-147	)	
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State Ethics Commission	)	
Complainant	)	
v.	)	<b>AFFIDAVIT</b>
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Nikki Fontana	)	
Respondent	)	
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**PERSONALLY** comes the undersigned, who says on oath that on the following dates and times she attempted to contact Respondent to arrange service of a cover letter and Notice of Hearing signed by Executive Director Meghan Dayson scheduling a hearing for February 17, 2026 in this matter:

1. On January 12, 2026, affiant called Respondent at the telephone number of record on file with the Commission. There was no answer, but the voicemail greeting was a female identifying the number as Respondent's. Affiant left a voicemail stating the need to provide Respondent with a Notice of Hearing and affiant's telephone number for a return call. Affiant sent a text message to this same number with the same information.
2. On January 13, 2026, affiant sent a text message to Respondent's telephone number advising of the need to provide a Notice of Hearing and requesting contact.
3. On January 16, 2026, affiant and Investigator William B. White traveled to Respondent's residence, 404 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, North Myrtle Beach, SC. Investigators knocked on Respondent's front door entrance, which was a sliding

glass door, multiple times but received no answer. Respondent's vehicle<sup>1</sup> was parked in the driveway. Affiant called Respondent two times, but there was no answer. Affiant and Investigator White left business cards on Respondent's entrance door and the driver's side door of Respondent's vehicle. Affiant also contacted K. Blaine Massey, Respondent's attorney in an unrelated matter, and advised of the need to serve the Notice of Hearing. Although not representing Respondent in the ethics matter, Massey agreed to assist affiant in contacting Respondent for service of ethics-related documents. At Massey's request, affiant emailed Respondent and copied Massey to advise of the need for contact. Massey stated in a follow-up call that he had not received any response from Respondent.

Because service of the Notice of Hearing for the February 17, 2026 hearing could not be affected, the hearing was rescheduled for April 16, 2026. Affiant states on the following dates and times she attempted to contact Respondent to arrange service of a cover letter and Notice of Hearing signed by Executive Director Meghan Dayson scheduling a hearing for April 16, 2026 in this matter:

4. On January 29, 2026, affiant called Respondent. The phone rang once and then went to voicemail. Affiant left a message advising of attempts at contact and requested a return call. Affiant sent a text message to the same number requesting contact.
5. On January 29, 2026, affiant sent an email to [fontananj1997@hotmail.com](mailto:fontananj1997@hotmail.com) and [fontananj@hotmail.com](mailto:fontananj@hotmail.com) advising Respondent of previous messages left and the need to provide Respondent with copies of the Notice of Hearing and related bank records. Investigator Caldwell previously communicated with Respondent at the

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<sup>1</sup> Investigator White recognized the vehicle from his research and a previous personal service attempt.

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[fontananj@hotmail.com](mailto:fontananj@hotmail.com) email address during the initial investigation. The [fontananj1997@hotmail.com](mailto:fontananj1997@hotmail.com) email address was provided by attorney Blaine Massey as a contact method for Respondent.

6. On March 9, 2026, affiant called Respondent and left a voicemail advising of the need to provide Respondent with a copy of the Notice of Hearing and related bank records. Affiant left her office and cell phone numbers for a return call.
7. On March 10, 2026, affiant called Respondent and left a voicemail advising that Investigator Reginald Gaymon was attempting to personally deliver the Notice of Hearing to Respondent that day. Affiant asked that Respondent please respond to Investigator Gaymon and accept delivery of the documents. Affiant sent a text message advising the same.

Commission staff member Rachael O'Bryan also mailed copies of the Notice of Hearing via both certified mail with return receipt and first-class mail with tracking number to Respondent on January 29, 2026. Based on information from the United States Postal Service, the certified mail was returned as unclaimed and the first-class mail with a tracking number was delivered. However, the building in which Respondent resides has two units; Respondent resides on the top floor and another tenant resides on the bottom floor. Although there are two units in the building located at 404 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue S, there is only one mailbox for the building; therefore, Respondent's receipt of the Notice of Hearing mailed first class is unknown.

To date, affiant has not received any response from Respondent.


  
Ryanne W. Caldwell, Investigator  
State Ethics Commission

SWORN to before me this 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 2026.


  
Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission Expires 3/20/2033

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
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 COUNTY OF: Richland ) BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION  
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 IN THE MATTER OF: )  
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 COMPLAINT C2022-147 )  
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 Nikki Fontana )  
 Respondent )  
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**PERSONALLY** comes the undersigned, who says on oath that on March 10, 2026, he travelled to 404 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, North Myrtle Beach, SC, and knocked on Respondent's front entrance, which was a sliding glass door. There was no response. A business card was left on the door, and second business card was placed on the windshield of the vehicle parked in the driveway.

  
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 Reginald J. Gaymon, Investigator  
 State Ethics Commission

**SWORN** to before me this 11<sup>th</sup>  
 day of March, 2026

  
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 Notary Public for South Carolina  
 My Commission Expires March 14, 2033

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	
COUNTY OF RICHLAND	)	BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
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IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
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Respondent	)	
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**PERSONALLY** comes the undersigned, who says on oath that on the following dates and times he attempted to contact Respondent to arrange service of a cover letter and Notice of Hearing signed by Executive Director Meghan Dayson scheduling hearings for October 16, 2025 and February 17, 2026 in this matter:

1. On June 24, 2025, Affiant travelled to North Myrtle Beach to attempt service on Respondent. Affiant attempted service at the following locations with the cited results:
  - a. 5750 Oyster Catch Drive Unit 813: Respondent no longer lives here. None of the targeted vehicles were in the parking lot and the apartment had no signs of life.
  - b. 406 39th Avenue South: Respondent no longer lives here. Three of the target vehicles (registered by Respondent's ex-husband Brandon Bialecki) were on site. Met with Brandon and his fiancée. Post-divorce Respondent squatted at this address, and he had to evict her. Brandon suggested Respondent may work at Baldwin Construction or West Bridge Homes (both in the area). Brandon

provided the names Bob and Judy Fontana, who are Respondent's parents. Suggested she may be living with them. Brandon confirmed that Respondent drives a silver 2012 GMC Yukon (PJU670) which he gave her in the divorce. He sees the vehicle driving up and down his street periodically.

- c. 404 34th Avenue South: This address was located on Respondent's driver's license. The target vehicle (PJU670) was found in the driveway. From the door, a purse, keys, and sunglasses were visible in the living area through the window. Knocked several times with no response. Affiant left a business card with cell number on the vehicle window. Called Respondent's cell number (found on her SIC, her website, and Facebook). Voicemail confirmed "Nikki", and a voicemail was left. Homeowner/management company phone number was observed in plain view on a sign, in a storage area, and recorded. Left the immediate area and conducted surveillance for approximately 30 minutes hoping Respondent would check her vehicle or leave. Negative results.
- d. North Myrtle Beach City Hall at 1018 2nd Avenue South: Met with Allison K. Galbreath, City Clerk. Galbreath confirmed the phone number 843-267-9152 as Respondent's and attempted to contact her. A voicemail was left for Respondent by Galbreath. Galbreath was provided Affiant's contact information. Galbreath advised the next council meeting to be held on July 21, 2025.
- e. 404 34th Avenue South: Returned to Respondent's residence. No change.
- f. West Bridge Homes, 905-4 Sea Mountain Highway: Affiant met with the owner, Fred Coyne. It was learned that Coyne is also on NMB Council and saw

Respondent the day prior at a meeting. Coyne provided Respondent's phone number, which was the same number as the previously obtained phone number. Coyne stated Respondent no longer worked for him.

- g. North Myrtle Beach City Hall at 1018 2nd Avenue South: Affiant returned and checked the parking lot for Respondent's vehicle. Negative results.
- h. Baldwin Construction, 109 Ash Steet: Affiant requested Mr. Baldwin; however, he was out due to his father's hospitalization. It was learned that J. O. Baldwin is on NMB council. Admin assistant advised Respondent does not work with Baldwin professionally, just on council.
- i. 404 34th Avenue South: Affiant returned to Respondent's residence. No change.
- j. 2145 Chavis Road, Conway: Affiant met with Judy Fontana. Judy confirmed Respondent is her daughter and Respondent lived with them several months ago. Judy was unaware of Respondent's current address, but described the address visited previously. Judy has limited contact with Respondent.
- k. Upon Affiant's departure from the area, Affiant called Respondent again and left another message.

2. On June 26, 2025, Affiant located information that Respondent would be recording her podcast.

- a. Affiant conducted surveillance of the podcast office location with negative results. Checked to possible remote locations (Mission BBQ and a local Italian restaurant), also negative.
- b. 404 34th Avenue South: Affiant observed Respondent's vehicle in driveway at

Respondent's residence, Affiant's business card previously left was gone. Knocked with no answer, observed purse, keys, and sunglasses again in living room. Left card on door with message to call Affiant. Sent text message to Respondent. No response.


c. Affiant checked with downstairs neighbor who confirmed upstairs neighbor as Respondent. Stated Respondent was home and attempted to call. The call was sent to voicemail.

3. On July 21, 2025, Affiant contacted Respondent at city hall prior to council meeting. Respondent was provided the Amended Notice of Hearing for October 16, 2025<sup>1</sup>, along with the associated cover letter, and a Penalty Letter from the Commission's Director of Non-compliance on another matter.
4. On January 16, 2026, Affiant returned to the North Myrtle Beach area with Investigator Caldwell. Attempts were made to locate Respondent at 404 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue South several times, along with a local bar which was within walking distance of Respondent's home. Affiant was told by the bartender that she has not seen Respondent since Respondent's DUI arrest.
5. Affiant sent Respondent text messages on January 12, 2026, January 30, 2026, and March 3, 2026, with no response.


### **SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS**

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<sup>1</sup> The October 16, 2025, hearing was continued due to the witness unavailability.

  
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William B. White, Jr., Investigator  
State Ethics Commission

SWORN to before me this 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 2026.

  
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Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission Expires 4-1-35

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF RICHLAND )  
  
IN THE MATTER OF: )  
COMPLAINT C2022-147 )  
  
State Ethics Commission, )  
Complainant, )  
  
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BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

**ORDER GRANTING SERVICE BY  
PUBLICATION**

This matter comes before the South Carolina Ethics Commission (Commission) by way of a Motion for Service by Publication filed by Commission staff. Therein, Commission staff seeks an Order from the Commission authorizing publication of the Notice of Hearing in the above-captioned matter. On March 19, 2026, the Commission considered the Motion and attached affidavits, as well as witness testimony from Commission Investigators Ryanne Caldwell, William B. White, and Reginald Gaymon. Based on its review, the Commission finds (1) that Commission staff has exercised due diligence in its attempts to serve Respondent with the Notice of Hearing through traditional means and (2) that Respondent cannot be located. As such, the Commission authorizes Commission staff to serve Respondent with the Notice of Hearing by publication pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-206.

It is therefore ORDERED that a copy of the Notice of Hearing be inserted in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Respondent's last known residence, no less than one (1) time per week for three (3) consecutive weeks.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March 2026.

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION



F. Xavier Starkes, Chairman

Columbia, South Carolina

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	
COUNTY OF RICHLAND	)	BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
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IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
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Complaint C2022-147	)	
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State Ethics Commission	)	<b>FIFTH AMENDED</b>
Complainant.	)	<b>NOTICE OF HEARING</b>
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Nikki Fontana	)	
Respondent.	)	
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The State Ethics Commission has determined that there is probable cause pursuant to Section 8-13-320(10)(i), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, in the above-captioned complaint. The Commission will convene a formal hearing into the matter in accordance with Section 8-13-320(10)(i) & (j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.) on Thursday, August 20, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission Hearing Room located at: 201 Executive Center Drive, Suite 150, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

The following allegations will be heard:

**COUNT ONE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(D)(1), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file a 2021 Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Report (CDR), in violation of Section 8-13-1308(D)(1).

**COUNT TWO**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

file 2022 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT THREE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 3 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2022 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SIX**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 3 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT NINE**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2023 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 1 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT ELEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO FILE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE REPORT**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(B), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file 2024 Quarter 2 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(B).

**COUNT TWELVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 16, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Keith Hinson, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from AM & RD Title Agency, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FOURTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Robert Guyton, PC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 17, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Founders National Golf, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SIXTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 20, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Big Block Properties, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT SEVENTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report a September 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Ten Mile, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT EIGHTEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Dylan Andrew, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT NINETEEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Charles A. Brown, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Beach Homes of NMB, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from KTAD Holdings, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 6, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Cleaning and Lines, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$999.00 from Convenience Store & More, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Big Survey Service and Supply, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 11, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Robert and Deborah Wilfong Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 12, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Development Resources Group, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 14, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$100.00 from Michael & Cynthia Campbell, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from AO Hardee & Son, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT TWENTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 18, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$250.00 from Donald & Wendy Pleasants, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 21, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$750.00 from Barefoot Zoological Gardens, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 22, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$400.00 from DMAC Enterprises, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 26, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Penny Chimile, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Thomas Staats, Jr., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Foxfire Communicants, LLC, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 29, 2021 campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Jon Coyne, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Pre-Election CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report campaign contributions of \$100.00 or less in the aggregate on her 2021 Quarter 4 CDR, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a September 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$67.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT THIRTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 1, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$315.00 to Sand Dollar, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 7, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Outdoor gosq.com, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 8, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$331.56 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-TWO**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 13, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-THREE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 27, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,402.64 to Pronto Pres Comp., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FOUR**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to

report an October 28, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-FIVE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 9, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$635.00 to Political Marketing International, Inc., in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SIX**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$1,416.00 to NMB Times, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-SEVEN**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a November 18, 2021 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Palmetto Associated Services, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-EIGHT**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a March 21, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$83.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FORTY-NINE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report an October 4, 2022 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a December 14, 2023 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$113.00 to DDA withdrawal, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

**COUNT FIFTY-ONE**  
**FAILURE TO REPORT CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE**  
**SECTION 8-13-1308(F), S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED**

That Nikki Fontana, North Myrtle Beach Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to report a June 11, 2024 campaign expenditure in the amount of \$166.00 to USPS, in violation of Section 8-13-1308(F).

You have the right to be represented by counsel, the right to call and examine witnesses, the right to introduce exhibits, and the right to cross-examine opposing witnesses. This hearing will be open to the public as required by Section 8-13-320(10)(j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended. The procedures to be followed are set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 1-23-10, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the State Ethics Act, Section 8-13-100, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.).

A pre-hearing conference may be scheduled prior to the hearing to allow exchange of

witness lists and evidence, marking of exhibits, and disposition of motions or pleadings. In the event you fail to appear, judgment by default will be rendered against you. If there are any questions concerning the above notice or hearing times, please contact the State Ethics Commission.



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Meghan Walker Dayson, Executive Director  
State Ethics Commission

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day,  
of April 2026.