

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

FOR COMMISSION USE ONLY:
CASE NUMBER
C 2023-045

COMPLAINT FORM

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

RESPONDENT: Charlie E. Simmons
ADDRESS: [REDACTED]
TELEPHONE NUMBER: [REDACTED]
TITLE: Former Councilman – Town of Yemassee

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF Richland

Personally appeared before me Meghan Walker Dayson 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
7th day of April, 2023

[REDACTED]
Meghan Walker Dayson, Executive Director

[REDACTED]
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission expires 01/22/26

SEC-7 (Revised 3/2022)

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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 C2023-045)	
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State Ethics Commission)	NOTICE OF HEARING
Complainant.)	
)	
Charlie E. Simmons)	
Respondent.)	
_____)	

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 15, 2024 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 STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
SECTION 8-13-1140, S.C. CODE ANN., 1976, AS AMENDED

That Charlie E. Simmons, former Town of Yemassee Councilmember, did in Richland County, fail to file a 2020 Statement of Economic Interests (SEI), in violation of Section 8-13-1140.

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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 27th day,
of July 2023.

Certificate of Service by Certified Mail

I hereby certify that a copy of this **NOTICE OF HEARING** was duly served on the RESPONDENT Charlie E. Smith, 182 Salkehatchie Road, St. Yemassee, SC 29945 by depositing said **NOTICE OF HEARING** in the United States mail, Columbia, South Carolina on this 2nd day of August 2023, by **CERTIFIED MAIL, E-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**, appropriate postage affixed, and a return address clearly indicated on said envelope.



Columbia, South Carolina

Rachael O'Bryan, Administrative Assistant
State Ethics Commission

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Charlie E. Simmons

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April 18, 2022: The certified letter is returned as "Return to Sender - Unclaimed"

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July 29, 2022: According to the United States Postal Service, the first-class letter is delivered, in or at mailbox at 9:13 a.m.

August 8, 2022: Penalties begin accruing at \$20 per day for the first ten days

August 18, 2022: Penalties begin accruing at \$200 per day

April 3, 2023: After no response, complaint is filed.

Previous Non-Compliance

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Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure (due 10-19-09)	Paid \$100.00
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July 28, 2022

THIRD NOTICE

Mr. Charlie Simmons

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Sincerely,



Susan Bickley
Administrative Assistant

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 19, 2022

SECOND NOTICE

AMENDED

Mr. Charlie Simmons

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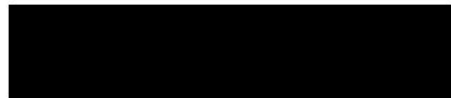
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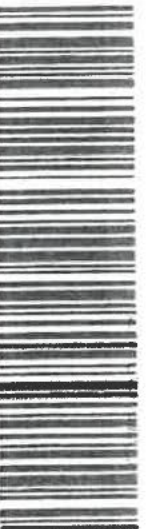
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Assistant Director

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Mr. Charlie Simmons



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March 3, 2022

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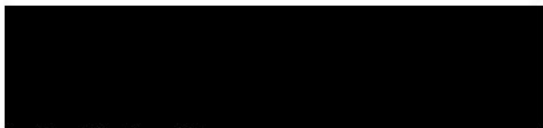
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Statement of Economic Interests

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1/28/2019 Edit	Filed	2019	Original	Statement of Economic Interests	View	Amend	Admin Removal
3/30/2018 Edit	Filed	2018	Original	Statement of Economic Interests	View	Amend	
11/10/2017 Edit	Filed	2017	Original	Statement of Economic Interests	View	Amend	
5/20/2016 Edit	Filed	2015	Original	Statement of Economic Interests	View	Amend	
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Statement of Economic Interests Profile

Please complete the form below. Fields marked by an asterisk (*) are required.

Personal Information

*First Name | Charlie

Middle Initial

*Last Name | Simmons

Suffix |

*Mailing Address | 182 Salkehatchie Rd

*City | Yemassee

*State | SC

*County | Hampton *SC Residents Only*

*Zip Code | 29945

*Phone Number | 843 | 441 | 4006

*Email | simmonscharlie021@gmail.c

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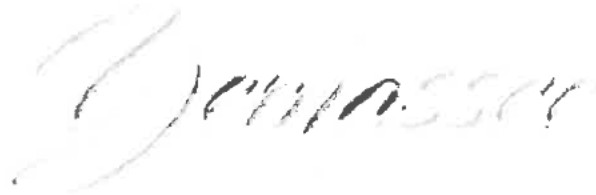
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✓ Games, Matthew E	194 Tanners Run Bluffton, SC 29910	Employee	Chief Procurement Official, 3/2018
✓ Hagan, Michelle B	PO Box 577 Yemassee, SC 29945	Elected	City Council, 11/2018
✓ Moore, Colin	PO Box 622 Yemassee, SC 29945	Elected	Mayor, 11/2017
✓ Washington, Alfred	P.O. Box 261 Yemassee, SC 29945	Elected	City Council, 11/2019

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Yemassee, SC 29945
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BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the State Ethics Commission (Commission) by way of a complaint filed on April 7, 2023. Pursuant to Section 8-13-320(10)(i) of the South Carolina Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act of 1991 (Ethics Act), the Commission reviewed the above-captioned complaint against Charlie E. Simmons (Respondent) and probable cause was found to warrant an evidentiary hearing. Present at the hearing on February 15, 2024, were Commissioners Matthew N. Tyler, Mary Hunter B. Tomlinson, and Neal D. Truslow, Hearing Chair. Respondent appeared *pro se* and attended the hearing virtually. Complainant was represented by Courtney Laster. The following charges were considered:

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FINDINGS OF FACT

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

1. At all times relevant, Respondent served on Yemassee Town Council
2. Respondent did not file an annual SEI on or before March 30 in 2020 or 2021.
3. In a March 3, 2022 certified letter, the Commission notified Respondent of his failure to file a 2020 SEI and a 2021 SEI.
4. On April 18, 2022, the certified letter was returned as "Return to Sender – Unclaimed."
5. On July 28, 2022, the letter was remailed via first-class mail with a United States Postal Service (USPS) tracking number.
6. According to USPS, the letter was delivered to Respondent's address of record on July 29, 2022 at 9:13 a.m.
7. On August 8, 2022, penalties began to accrue at \$20.00 per day (\$10.00 per report).
8. On August 18, 2022, penalties began to accrue at \$200.00 per day (\$100.00 per report).
9. On May 17, 2023, Respondent filed his 2020 and 2021 SEIs and is now in compliance.
10. During the February 15, 2024 hearing, Respondent asserted he received prolonged medical treatment and was separated from his spouse during the relevant time frames and that these issues prevented him from having routine access to his mail.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon the Findings of Fact, the Commission concludes, as a matter of law:

1. At all times relevant, Respondent was a public official pursuant to Section 8-13-100(27) of the Ethics Act. Therefore, the Commission has personal and subject matter jurisdiction.
2. Section 8-13-1140 provides, in relevant part:

A person required to file a [SEI] under this chapter annually shall file, pursuant to Section 8-13-365, an updated statement for the previous calendar year, no later than

noon on March thirtieth of each calendar year . . .

3. Section 8-13-1510(A) of the Ethics Act provides, in part:

. . . a person required to file a report or statement under this chapter who files a late statement or report or fails to file a required statement or report must be assessed a civil penalty as follows: (1) a fine of one hundred dollars if the statement or report is not filed within five days after the established deadline provided by law in this chapter; and (2) after notice has been given by certified or registered mail that a required statement or report has not been filed, a fine of ten dollars per calendar day for the first ten days after notice has been given, and one hundred dollars for each calendar day in which the required statement or report is not filed, not exceeding five thousand dollars.

6. Section 8-13-130 of the Ethics Act allows the Commission to levy an administrative fee on any person who is found in violation of the Ethics Act.

DECISION

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Panel has determined, based on a preponderance of evidence, that Respondent, Charlie E. Simmons, is in violation of one (1) count of Section 8-13-1140 for failing to timely file his 2020 SEI. Due to mitigating circumstances, the Panel dismisses the charge against Respondent for his failure to file his 2021 SEI.

THEREFORE, Respondent is hereby Publicly Reprimanded and assessed a reduced late-filing penalty of \$2,500.00 and an administrative fee of \$1,000.00, for a total of \$3,500.00. Respondent may choose to remit monthly payments of \$291.67 to the Commission for twelve (12) months. In any event, the total amount is due within twelve (12) months from Respondent's receipt of this Order.

FURTHER, pursuant to Section 8-13-320 of the Ethics Act, if the \$3,500.00 is not paid within twelve (12) months from Respondent's receipt of this Order, a judgment in the amount of \$6,000.00 shall be entered against Respondent. In the event of a failure to pay, upon the Commission's filing of said Judgment with the Clerk of Court in the County of Respondent's last


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known residence, the Clerk of Court shall enter this Order in the amount of \$6,000.00, less any money paid, in its Judgment Rolls, without cost to the Commission.

FINALLY, Respondent Charlie E. Simmons has ten (10) days from receipt of this Order to appeal this Decision and Order to the full Commission.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 27 DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION



NEAL D. TRUSLOW, HEARING CHAIR

Columbia, South Carolina

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