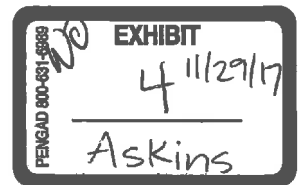


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Re: Jerome "Romie" P. Askins, III  
Candidate for Circuit Seat No. 9 At Large  
Letters from S. Jahue Moore to Legislators

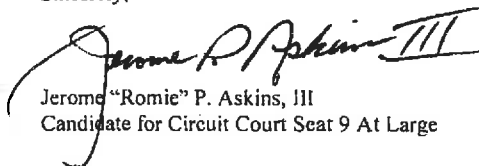
Dear Lindi,

This is to follow up on our telephone conversation whereby I informed you I had received in the mail copies of 29 letters sent to legislators by attorney S. Jahue "Jake" Moore. The letters are all the same, stating that he would appreciate their "favorable consideration of (my) candidacy" for a Circuit Court seat "when the times comes." Two of the letters were sent to members of the JMSC – Senator Rankin and Senator Sabb. Three were sent to former legislators who are no longer in the SC Senate or House – Paul Thurmond, Ralph Norman, and Chip Limehouse. I am including a copy of one of the letters and copies of the names and addresses of people to whom they were sent.

Jake Moore is a friend of mine and while I greatly appreciate his effort to help me, I did not ask him to write these letters and did not know that they were being sent until I received copies in the mail. I am, of course, aware of the rules of prohibiting contact with members of the Commission – directly or indirectly, or solicitation of support from legislators – directly or indirectly – before the proper time in January.

I felt it appropriate to notify the Commission. I understand that public hearings are in progress and everyone is very busy. I am sending copies of this via email to chief counsel for the JMSC, Erin Crawford, and to the staff attorney who conducted my interview, Heather Anderson. Please let me know if I need to do anything further concerning this. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Jerome "Romie" P. Askins, III  
Candidate for Circuit Court Seat 9 At Large

cc: [ErinCrawford@scsenate.gov](mailto:ErinCrawford@scsenate.gov)  
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Senator Nikki G. Seltzer  
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RE: Mr. Jerome "Romie" P. Askins – Candidate for Circuit Court Seat 9 At Large

Dear Nikki:

Jerome P. Askins has been a friend of mine for a long while and is running for Circuit Judge again.

Romie has come close to election several times but is yet to succeed.

When the time comes I would greatly appreciate your favorable considering his candidacy for a Circuit Court seat.

Thanks for the help.

Yours very truly,

  
S. Jahue Moore

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