

Joint Consumer Affairs Screening Committee

2010 Report of Candidate Qualifications

Date and Time of Final Report: Noon on Tuesday, March 23, 2010

Members of the General Assembly are **PROHIBITED** from pledging their votes until Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at noon.

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About the Report

This report contains the Committee's findings regarding the qualifications of applicants for the Consumer Affairs Commission. Each member of the General Assembly will be given a copy of this report for review and consideration. The Committee believes that this report will help members make an informed vote.

Committee Composition and Responsibilities

The Committee is comprised of eight members, four from the Senate and four from the House of Representatives. To fulfill its mandate, the Committee conducts an investigation of each applicant's professional and financial affairs, and holds a public hearing during which each applicant may be questioned on a wide variety of issues.

The JCASC's investigation includes (1) a State Law Enforcement Division background check; (2) a credit investigation; (3) a careful study of application materials, including a personal data questionnaire; and (4) further inquiry as the Committee considers appropriate.

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MR. HEWEY L. DIXON
CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER
OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

BACKGROUND

Mr. Dixon is 58 and lives in Columbia. He worked for the Employment Security Commission for 13 years. He is currently the building manager at the Jamil Temple Shrine.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Robert C. Smith -- Former Personnel Director, SC Employment Security Commission

Mr. Jim Kinard -- Vice President, First Palmetto Savings Bank

Ms. Veronica Wright -- Former Co-worker, Columbia

Ms. Cinda Anderson -- Columbia

Mr. Richard Ames -- Former Employer, Chapin

FINDINGS

On March 9, 2010 the Joint Consumer Affairs Screening Committee met to screen Mr. Dixon. The Committee met again on March 17, 2010.

Mr. Dixon was found **QUALIFIED** on March 17, 2010.

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MR. CLIFFORD RAY KEASLER
CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER
OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

BACKGROUND

Mr. Keasler is 61 and lives in Surfside Beach. He worked as an officer for the SC Highway Patrol for 25 years. He also served in the Army National Guard from 1969-1998. He is currently the manager of Strand Storage Center.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Christine Holmes -- Beach First National Bank, Surfside Beach

Mr. Steve Homitz -- Myrtle Beach

Mr. Ron Best -- Best Frames Plus, Myrtle Beach

Mr. John Kovalcik -- USMCR Toys for Tots, Myrtle Beach

Mr. Mike Yarborough -- Yarborough's Moving Service, Surfside Beach

FINDINGS

On March 17, 2010 the Joint Consumer Affairs Screening Committee met to screen Mr. Keasler.

Mr. Keasler was found **QUALIFIED** on March 17, 2010.

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MR. TERRELL A. PARRISH

**CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER
OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

BACKGROUND

Mr. Parrish is 68 and lives in Greer. He is an engineer and is employed as a project manager by CMC Cary Engineering in Greenville, SC.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Effie B. Dickey - First Savers Bank, Greenville

Mr. Brian C. Norton - CMC Cary Engineering, Greenville

Mr. E.E. Garvin - CMC South Carolina Steel, Greenville

Pastor Matt Matthews - St. Giles Presbyterian Church, Greenville

Mr. William E. Cary - Cary Consultants, Greenville

FINDINGS

On March 9, 2010 the Joint Consumer Affairs Screening Committee met to screen Mr. Parrish. The Committee met again on March 17, 2010.

Mr. Parrish was found **QUALIFIED** on March 17, 2010.

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MS. MAGALY PETERSEN PENN
CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER
OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

BACKGROUND

Ms. Penn is 60 and lives in Simpsonville. Ms. Penn has worked as a Diversity Resources Director for Burger King Corporation and BI-LO, LLC. She is currently a consultant for BI-LO, LLC in Greenville, SC. Ms. Penn is bilingual (English/Spanish).

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Tricia De Boer - Bank of America, Mauldin
Ms. Barbara League - League Manufacturing, Greenville
Ms. Jil Littlejohn - YWCA Director, Greenville
Mr. Ray Lattimore - Marketplace Staffing Services, Inc., Greenville
Judge Alex Kinlaw - Greenville

FINDINGS

On March 9, 2010 the Joint Consumer Affairs Screening Committee met to screen Ms Penn. The Committee met again on March 17, 2010.

Ms. Penn was found **QUALIFIED** on March 17, 2010.

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DR. LONNIE RANDOLPH JR.

**CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER
OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

BACKGROUND

Dr. Randolph is 59 and lives in Columbia. He has been an optometrist since 1977. Dr. Randolph has served on the Consumer Affairs Commission since 1979.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Leilani Southern - Bank of America, Columbia

Mr. Vince Ford - Palmetto Health Community Services, Columbia

Mr. Joseph M. McCulloch, Jr. - Law Offices of Joseph M. McCulloch, Jr., Columbia

Ms. Diane Sumpter - DESA Expectations, Columbia

Mr. Steven W. Hamm - Richardson Plowden, Columbia

FINDINGS

On March 17, 2010 the Joint Consumer Affairs Screening Committee met to screen Dr. Randolph.

Dr. Randolph was found **QUALIFIED** on March 17, 2010.

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MR. JOHHNY E. SOSEBEE

**CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER
OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

BACKGROUND

Mr. Sosebee is 68 and lives in Piedmont. Mr. Sosebee has worked in the Insurance field and was employed by the SC Reinsurance Facility until its elimination by statute in December of 2009.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Melissa Gaines - Suntrust Bank, Greenville
Mr. Ken Peay - State Farm Insurance Companies, Greer
Mr. Mike Rogers - State Farm Insurance Companies, Greer
Mr. Wesley W. Lawton - Woodward Medical Center, Greenville
Mr. Patrick M. Slenski - Canal Insurance Company, Greenville

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