STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

HOUSE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS)	
COMMITTEE)	<u>ORDER</u>
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In the Matter of Kyle Boyd,)	
Former Candidate of the)	
House of Representatives,)	
Dist. # 48.)	

This matter came before the House Ethics Committee at the Committee meetings on January 18th and 25th, 2017. Former Candidate for the House of Representatives, Kyle Boyd, reported a campaign debt on his October 10, 2008 Campaign Disclosure Report. Specifically, he reported on September 16, 2008, an expenditure to Sandlapper for marketing material. While he reported the debt for campaign materials as an expenditure he made, he advised the Committee that he did not, in fact, pay this debt. He further stated that he is unable to repay the debt of \$8,683.32 for marketing material. For over eight years, he timely filed his quarterly ethics filings which reflected negative \$8,683.32 "contributions on hand," and he also timely filed his annual Statement of Economic Interests. Mr. Boyd sought the Committee's guidance on how he could reach a \$0 balance for his "contributions on hand" and file a final report. He testified that he closed his campaign bank account in 2009.

The Committee FINDS that Mr. Boyd's debt for campaign materials is an unsatisfied debt. The Committee FURTHER FINDS that the Committee would allow Mr. Boyd to amend the original report where the debt was initially reported as an expenditure, that is, the October 10, 2008 Campaign Disclosure Report, to reflect the debt as a loan from the former candidate to his campaign. The Committee FINDS that the former candidate could then forgive this debt so that he can he file his final campaign disclosure report with a \$0 balance for "contributions on hand." The former candidate must correct the October 10, 2008 filing and each subsequent filing, and then send the Committee a letter verifying that he is forgiving this debt within five days of filing his final report.

This ORDER shall serve as the Committee's final disposition of this matter pursuant to and in accordance with the terms set forth herein.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED, this 26th day of January, 2017, by the following members of the House Ethics Committee:

Rep. Michael A. Pitts, Chairman

Rep. J. David Weeks, Vice-Chairman

Rep. Chandra E. Dillard, Secretary

Rep. Beth E. Bernstein

Rep. Heather Ammons Crawford

Rep. F. Gregory "Greg" Delleney, Jr.

Rep. John Richard C. King

Rep. Dennis C. Moss

Rep. G. Murrell Smith, Jr.

Rep. Leonidas E. "Leon" Stavrinakis

