

STATE REGULATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES REVIEW COMMITTEE

**CANDIDATES FOR THE
SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE**

NOTICE: The information requested herein is needed to assist the Committee in its investigation of candidates for the Public Service Commission. This questionnaire is the initial step in the investigation of your candidacy. A completed questionnaire should be returned to the Committee as soon as possible, but in any event no later than noon, 12:00 p.m., on Friday, October 24, 2025. (Use and attach separate sheets, if necessary.)

PLEASE SPECIFY THE SEAT FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING (THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE; YOU MAY ONLY APPLY FOR ONE SEAT): _____

1. Full Name: Mr. Bjorn-Gustaf James Brooks
Ms.

Home Address: [Redacted]

Business Address: Carbon Solutions, LLC
1041 Grand Ave
St Paul, MN 55105

Email Address: [Redacted]

Telephone Number(s): (Office)
(Home)
(Cell) [Redacted]

2. Date of Birth: [Redacted] 1978

Place of Birth: New Orleans, LA

3. Social Security Number: [Redacted]

4. SCDL No. or SCHD No.: [Redacted]

Voter Registration No.: [Redacted]

5. Family Status: Are you single, married, widowed, or divorced? Married

If married, state date of marriage and spouse's full name.

11/10/2018, Renee Mary Lyons

If divorced, state the date, name of moving party, grounds, and the court.

Names and ages of children. If children are old enough to work, state occupation of each.
One Child. [Redacted]

6. List each institution of higher learning you attended, including dates of attendance and degrees awarded. Please provide an official transcript prior to your screening hearing. If you left any institution without receiving a degree, state the reason for leaving.

Iowa State University, 08/1996 – 05/2000, Bachelors of Science

University of Bristol, 10/2000 – 02/2002, Masers of Science

Iowa State University, 01/2003 – 05/2009, PhD

7. List any continuing education courses or other professional education or training programs that you have attended in the past five years.

8. Have you been employed or held any position in any of the following areas?

- (a) energy issues
 (b) telecommunications issues
 (c) consumer protection and advocacy issues
 (d) water and wastewater issues
 (e) finance, economics, and statistics
 (f) accounting
 (g) engineering
 (h) law

Please provide the duration of your employment or service and details about the nature of the work or the position.

Energy — Carbon Solutions LLC, 07/2023-present: Led data/software analyses for decarbonization—CCS, hydrogen, DAC, methane detection—supporting utilities and regulators on reliability, affordability, and emissions, translating technical results into actionable energy planning.

Water/Wastewater — USDA Forest Service, 08/2014-01/2020: Analyzed landscape management to sustain everyday benefits from forests—clean water, erosion/flood control, recreation—informing watershed protection and practical water/wastewater planning.

Statistics — All employment positions Carbon Solutions, Living Carbon, USDA Forest Service, NC State, University of Wisconsin (2009-2011): Applied statistics to large datasets: experimental design, forecasting, uncertainty, reproducible modeling—delivering decision-ready evidence for policy, infrastructure planning, and environmental management.

9. Have you served in the military? If so, give the dates of service, branch of service, highest rank, serial number, present status, and the character of your discharge or release. Please provide a copy of your DD-214 prior to your screening hearing.

No

10. Have you ever held public office? If so, provide details, including the office, whether elected or appointed, the length and dates of your service. Also, state whether or not you timely filed reports with the State Ethics Commission during the period you held public office. If not, were you ever subject to a penalty. If so, provide details, including dates.

No

11. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, provide details, including dates.

No

12. Please list in chronological order any employment of you by any governmental agency (whether full time or part time, contractual or at will, consulting or otherwise). Provide dates of employment, name of employer, name of supervisor, and major job responsibilities.

University of Wisconsin–Madison — 2009-2011

Atmospheric modeling, developed geospatial tools, processed weather data, collaborated across research teams.

Supervisor: Dr. Ankur Desai

University of Illinois — 2011-2013

Conducted environmental modeling research, analyzed datasets, supported instruction and publications.

Supervisor: Dr. Michael Dietze

USDA Forest Service — 2014-2020

ORISE fellow analyzing national land change, forest threats, watershed resilience.

Supervisor: Dr. Danny Lee

NC State University / North Carolina Institute for Climate Studies — 2020-2021

Modeled climate impacts, maintained reproducible pipelines, delivered decision-ready analytics insights.

Supervisor: Dr. Otis Brown

13. Please list in chronological order any occupation, business, or profession in which you have been engaged or employed (other than serving in a public office or being employed by a governmental agency). Please briefly note the nature of your work during each period.

St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, NS Canada

Position: Visiting Assistant Professor of Earth Science

14. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise? Explain.

No

15. Describe any financial arrangements or business relationships that you currently have or have had in the past that could pose a conflict of interest in the position you seek. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.

None

16. If you currently hold an interest in stock or other securities, list each stock or other security you currently own. If you prefer, you may attach broker or account records containing the requested information instead of listing it here.

AMD, ADVANCED MICRO DEVIC
AXON, AXON ENTERPRISE INC
LULU, LULULEMON ATHLETICA INC
ON, ON SEMICONDUCTOR CORP
PINS, PINTEREST INC CLASS A
AMZN, AMAZON.COM INC
NET, CLOUDFLARE INC CLASS A
CROX, CROCS INC
CRWD, CROWDSTRIKE HLDGS INC CLASS A
DIS, DISNEY WALT CO
DKNG, DRAFTKINGS INC NEW CLASS CLASS A
FORM, FORMFACTOR INC
HUBS, HUBSPOT INC
INTC, INTEL CORP

ITRI, ITRON INC EQUITY CLASS EQUITY
KNSL, KINSALE CAP GROUP INC
NEE, NEXTERA ENERGY INC
ORCL, ORACLE CORP
TGT, TARGET CORP EQUITY CLASS EQUITY
UBER, UBER TECHNOLOGIES INC
ZS, ZSCALER INC
GOOG, ALPHABET INC CLASS C
MCD, MCDONALDS CORP
META, META PLATFORMS INC CLASS CLASS A
MSFT, MICROSOFT CORP
NVDA, NVIDIA CORP
UI, UBIQUITI INC
V, VISA INC CLASS A
FTNT, FORTINET INC
IMMR, IMMERSION CORP
BYDDF, BYD CO LTD ORDF
JD, JD COM INC FSPONSORED ADR 1 ADR REPS 2 ORD SHS
MELI, MERCADOLIBRE INC
NTDOY, NINTENDO LTD FSPONSORED ADR 1 ADR REP 0.25 ORD SHS
TSM, TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR M FSPONSORED ADR 1 ADR REPS 5 ORD SH

17. Have you ever been convicted of a violation of any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? Are there any charges pending against you for a violation of any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? If so, provide details. (DO NOT include traffic violations for which a fine of \$200 or less was imposed.)

No

18. To your knowledge, have you ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute? If yes, explain.

No

19. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? Have you ever defaulted on a student loan? Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? If so, provide details.

No

20. Have you ever been a named party in a lawsuit, either personally or professionally? If so, provide details.

No

21. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, bar association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If so, provide details.

No

22. Are you now or have you ever been employed as a “lobbyist,” as defined by S.C. Code Section 2-17-10(13), or have you acted in the capacity of a “lobbyist’s principal,” as defined by S.C. Code Section 2-17-10(14)? If so, please provide the dates of your employment or activity in such capacity and specify by whom you were directed or employed.

No

23. Since your decision to seek a position on the Public Service Commission, have you accepted lodging, transportation, entertainment, food, meals, beverages, money, or any other thing of value, as defined by S.C. Code Section 2-17-10(1), from a lobbyist or lobbyist’s principal? If so, please specify the item(s) received, date of receipt, and the lobbyist or lobbyist’s principal providing the item(s).

No

24. S.C. Code Section 8-13-700 provides, in part, “No public official, public member, or public employee may knowingly use his official office, membership, or employment to obtain an economic interest for himself, a member of his immediate family, an individual with whom he is associated, or a business with which he is associated.” Please detail any knowledge you may have of any formal charges or informal allegations that you or any other candidate violated these provisions. (Include the disposition, if any, of such charges.)

I have no knowledge of any such formal charges or informal allegations.

25. S.C. Code Section 8-13-765 provides, in part, “No person may use government personnel, equipment, materials, or an office building in an election campaign.” Please detail any knowledge you may have of any formal charges or informal allegations that you or any other candidate violated these provisions. (Include the disposition, if any, of such charges.)

I have no knowledge of any such formal charges or informal allegations.

26. Other than expenditures for travel or room and board, please itemize all expenditures (by amount, type, and date) by you, or on your behalf, in seeking the office of Public Service Commissioner.

None

27. Please list the amount and recipient of all contributions made to members of the General Assembly within six months of filing this questionnaire.

None

28. Have you directly or indirectly requested a pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened? Have you received the assurance of any public official or public employee that they will seek the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened?

No

29. Have you or has anyone on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy for the position of Public Service Commissioner? If so, please specify the amount, solicitor (if applicable), donor, and date of solicitation and/or receipt.

No

30. List all professional organizations of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any offices that you have held in such groups.

None

31. List all civic, charitable, religious, educational, social, and fraternal organizations of which you are or have been a member during the past five (5) years.

BabyRead (infant education and reading program in Oconee County)
Clemson University Science Outreach Center (volunteer scientist)

32. State any other information which may reflect positively or negatively on you, or which you believe should be disclosed in connection with consideration of you for a position on the Public Service Commission.

None

33. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five (5) persons, including your banker, from whom references could be required. Also, provide this Committee with original letters of recommendation from each person listed herein, including their signature. A photocopy, facsimile, or electronic submission of a letter of recommendation will not be accepted.

- 1) Richard Middleton, Carbon Solutions LLC, [Redacted]
- 2) Carl Talsma, Carbon Solutions LLC, [Redacted]
- 3) Sam Dundon, [Redacted]
- 4) Qasim Mehdi, U.S. Department of Energy, [Redacted]
- 5) BANK: Charles Schwab & Co., Inc., [Redacted]

YOUR SIGNATURE WILL BE HELD TO CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE A GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE OR ANY RECORD INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR CREDIT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ANSWERS TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature:

Date:

PLEASE NOTE: S.C. CODE SECTIONS REFERRED TO IN THIS DOCUMENT ARE CONTAINED IN THE PDQ STATUTORY REFERENCES DOCUMENT.

I ACKNOWLEDGE, AS A CANDIDATE, THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR REVIEWING THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE ARE ACCESSIBLE ON THE PUBLIC UTILITY REVIEW COMMITTEE'S WEBSITE:

- (1) An Introduction to the Public Service Commission;**
- (2) The media release issued by the Committee announcing the start of its application process;**
- (3) An Advisory Opinion relating to attendance by candidates for the Public Service Commission at legislative receptions;**

- (4) An Advisory Opinion relating to attendance by candidates for the Public Service Commission at legislative caucus meetings;**
- (5) An Advisory Opinion relating to attendance by candidates for the Public Service Commission at political gatherings;**
- (6) The Judicial Code of Conduct;**
- (7) Statutory definitions and statute concerning pledges; and**
- (8) Information regarding accessing your credit report.**

Signature:

Date: