Senate Ethics Committee

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May 2, 2013

VIA HAND-DELIVERY

Senator Robert I. Ford 506 Gressette Building Columbia, SC 29202

RE: Amended Complaint of the South Carolina Senate Ethics Committee Against Senator Robert I. Ford

Dear Senator Ford:

The Senate Ethics Committee (the "Committee") hereby restates and realleges the seven (7) Allegations stated in its Complaint that was served on you on April 17, 2013. The Committee hereby serves on you its Amended Complaint and herein further alleges, as Allegation 8, the following:

8. Upon information and belief, you knowingly and willfully altered copies of documents (and made false and misleading descriptive notations thereon), including, but not limited to, copies of your campaign banking records, and submitted or caused to be submitted the altered copies to the Committee during the course of the Committee's review of your campaign records, and such actions were done with the intent to deceive the Committee.

You have the right to file a Response to this Amended Complaint with the Committee within fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt. The Committee will then proceed with scheduling a public hearing on this matter.

Sincerely,

Luke A Rankir

cc: William L. Runyon, Jr., Esq.

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State of South Carolina County of Richland

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, this 2nd day of May, 2013, the following Members of the Senate Ethics Committee:

Senator Luke A. Rankin, Chairman

Senator Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr.

Senator John E. Courson

Senator J. Yancey McGill

Senator Harvey S. Peeler, Jr.

Senator Glenn G. Reese

Senator C. Bradley Hutto

Senator John W. Matthews, Jr.

Senator Darrell Jackson

Who, first being duly sworn, says that he has read and knows the contents of the above Amended Complaint and that the allegations contained therein are true and correct to the best of his own knowledge, except for those matters therein based upon information and belief, and as to those, he believes them to be true.

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: March 15, 2021

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Luke A. Rankin, hereby certify that I hand-delivered and served a sworn Complaint of the Senate Ethics Committee upon Senator Robert I. Ford on this <u>2nd</u> day of May, 2013.

Luke A. Rankin

Chairman, Senate Ethics Committee