

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)
In Re:)
THE HONORABLE ROBERT FORD,)
SENATOR,)
RESPONDENT.)
_____)

IN THE SENATE OF THE STATE
OF SOUTH CAROLINA BEFORE
THE SENATE ETHICS COMMITTEE

REPLY

The Senate Ethics Committee (the "Committee") herewith replies to Respondent's Motions in the order of their filing, as follows:

A) To its "Motion to Make Definite and Certain":

Granted. The Committee has timely provided copies of the full return of each subpoenaed item upon its receipt by the Committee. The Committee will supplement the production with any additional items hereafter received.

1) To its "Motion to produce to the Respondent the 'Prompt Notices' as required by Title 8-13-320(7) Code of Laws for the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013":

Denied. Section 8-13-320(7) is inapplicable to Respondent or this matter. Rather, it is governed by Senate Rules 44 and 44.1 and Section 8-13-530, to the extent that it is not inconsistent with Senate Rule. The Committee proceeded under Rule 44(A)(2) and Section 8-13-530(2) because of the nature of the Allegations stated in its initial Complaint.

2) To its Motion to dismiss any allegation relating to 2009 in conformity to Title 8-13-320(d) Code of Laws of S.C. 1976 as amended:

Denied.

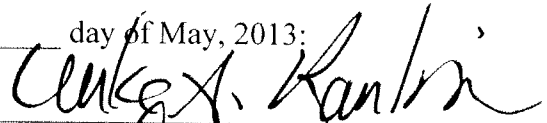
3) To its "Motion to supply to the Respondent the source of the information upon which the allegations were made upon information and belief":

Granted. The Committee has timely provided copies of the full return of each subpoenaed item upon its receipt by the Committee. The Committee will supplement the production with any additional items hereafter received.

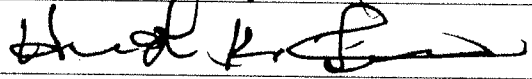
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Respectfully submitted, this _____ day of May, 2013:

Senator Luke A. Rankin, Chairman



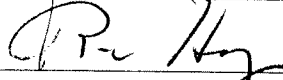
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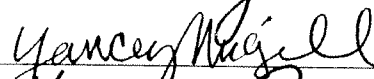
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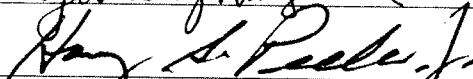
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Senator J. Yancey McGill



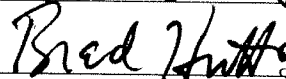
Senator Harvey S. Peeler, Jr.



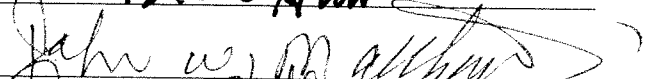
Senator Glenn G. Reese



Senator C. Bradley Hutto



Senator John W. Matthews, Jr.



Senator Darrell Jackson

