STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)
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IN THE MATTER OF:)
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Complaint C2023-094)
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Laura Hayes)
Complainant.)
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Rebecca H. Hill)
Respondent.)

BEFORE THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING

The State Ethics Commission has determined that there is probable cause pursuant to Section 8-13-320(10)(i), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, in the above-captioned complaint. The State Ethics Commission will, therefore, convene a formal hearing into the matters, in accordance with Section 8-13-320(10)(i) & (j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.) on Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. at the State Ethics Commission Hearing Room located at: 201 Executive Center Drive, Suite 150, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

The following allegations will be heard:

<u>COUNT ONE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct a bonus to herself in the amount of \$2,000.00 in September of 2021 from IV-D child support funds, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT TWO</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

position to direct a bonus to herself in the amount of \$380.10 in March of 2022 from IV-D child

support funds, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THREE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to direct a bonus to herself in the amount of \$2,500.00 in September of 2022 from IV-D

child support funds, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FOUR USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to direct a bonus to herself in the amount of \$2,500.00 in March of 2023 from IV-D child

support funds, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FIVE

USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to direct a bonus to herself in the amount of \$2,500.00 in October of 2023 from IV-D

child support funds, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIX</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to negotiate the use of the Colleton County Courthouse and an interview in exchange for

the promotion of her book, Behind the Doors of Justice, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SEVEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN FOR BUSINESS WITH WHICH ASSOCIATED SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to authorize issuance of a check in the amount of \$150.00 to Community Innovations, a

business with which she is associated, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT EIGHT USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN FOR BUSINESS WITH WHICH ASSOCIATED SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to authorize issuance of a check in the amount of \$600.00 to Community Innovations, a

business with which she is associated, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT NINE

USE OR DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-725(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, provided an individual with

whom she was associated confidential information in the form of a photograph of an inmate in the

Colleton County courthouse holding cell, to promote the sale of a book, in violation of Section 8-

13-725(A).

<u>COUNT TEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$110.50 drawn on check number 6377. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT ELEVEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$113.28 drawn on check number 6381. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, food and gifts for Clerk of Court employees, noted as "Easter goodies," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT TWELVE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$201.30 drawn on check number 6385. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, noted as "Mother's Day gifts," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT THIRTEEN

USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$180.00 drawn on check number 6385. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gift cards for Clerk of Court employees, noted as "Mother's Day gift card staff," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FOURTEEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$53.00 drawn on check number 6385. To wit, Hill

directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, noted as "Mothers Day gifts staff courthouse ladies," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FIFTEEN

USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$151.95 drawn on check number 6386. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, "paint samples, fruit & snacks for FC & CP Judge, lunch for clerk, CR, LC & CP clerks, FC wall," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIXTEEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$60.15 drawn on check number 6394. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself, Clerk of Court employees, and court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SEVENTEEN USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$244.49 drawn on check number 6393. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, noted as birthday gifts and meals for family members, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT EIGHTEEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$117.14 drawn on check number 6404. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and employees of the solicitor's office, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT NINETEEN USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$51.80 drawn on check number 5141. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT TWENTY</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$95.26 drawn on check number 6426. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, birthday gifts and supplies, including Smirnoff Ice, for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT TWENTY-ONE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$137.93 drawn on check number 5149. To wit, Hill

directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, lunch for herself and others, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT TWENTY-TWO USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$306.64 drawn on check number 5150. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and employees of the solicitor's office, as well as Valentine's Day gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT TWENTY-THREE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$91.96 drawn on check number 5153. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, paint and supplies, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT TWENTY-FOUR USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$131.53 drawn on check number 6451. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT TWENTY-FIVE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$74.88 drawn on check number 5155. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, office supplies, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT TWENTY-SIX</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$100.46 drawn on check number 6460. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees for "bday lunch w/staff," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT TWENTY-SEVEN USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$97.19 drawn on check number 6460. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, floral items, and assorted beverages, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT TWENTY-EIGHT USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

position to direct payment in the amount of \$115.20 drawn on check number 6462. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and guests, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT TWENTY-NINE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$69.87 drawn on check number 6462. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, lunch, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THIRTY</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$131.84 drawn on check number 6474. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, lunch for courtroom staff and jury, as well as gifts for court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT THIRTY-ONE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$256.57 drawn on check number 6473. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, snacks, supplies, and meals, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THIRTY-TWO</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to direct payment in the amount of \$89.47 drawn on check number 6474. To wit, Hill

directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, Mother's

Day gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT THIRTY-THREE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$82.17 drawn on check number 6475. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, snacks and supplies for court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT THIRTY-FOUR USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$400.00 drawn on check number 5163. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THIRTY-FIVE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$81.00 drawn on check number 6483. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for

herself and court personnel and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THIRTY-SIX</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$95.48 drawn on check number 6483. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THIRTY-SEVEN</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$66.54 drawn on check number 6482. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT THIRTY-EIGHT USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$82.78 drawn on check number 6492. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT THIRTY-NINE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$128.46 drawn on check number 6497. To wit, Hill

directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FORTY</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$105.70 drawn on check number 6497. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FORTY-ONE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$120.84 drawn on check number 6503. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, courthouse supplies, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-TWO USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$57.82 drawn on check number 6510. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and a guest, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-THREE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

position to direct payment in the amount of \$74.39 drawn on check number 6513. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and vendor, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-FOUR USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$67.66 drawn on check number 6513. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, office decorations, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-FIVE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$345.95 drawn on check number 6522. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, as well as office decorations, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-SIX USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$144.48 drawn on check number 6525. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-SEVEN USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN

SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$106.86 drawn on check number 6526. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, an office cooler and office decorations, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FORTY-EIGHT USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$543.89 drawn on check number 6529. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals, appetizers, soft drinks, Jagermeister, and Limoncello provided during a going-away lunch for an employee of the solicitor's office, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FORTY-NINE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$600.00 drawn on check number 6538. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, picnic tables, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FIFTY</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$66.00 drawn on check number 6539. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, personal

meals, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FIFTY-ONE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$95.69 drawn on check number 6546. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, food for jurors and court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FIFTY-TWO USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official

position to direct payment in the amount of \$268.04 drawn on check number 6568. To wit, Hill

directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, Valentine's

Day gifts to jurors and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FIFTY-THREE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$58.48 drawn on check number 6550. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, food for court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FIFTY-FOUR</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$67.82 drawn on check number 6568. To wit, Hill

directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FIFTY-FIVE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$51.63 drawn on check number 6575. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, brunch snacks for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FIFTY-SIX</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$62.64 drawn on check number 6575. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FIFTY-SEVEN USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$200.00 drawn on check number 6575. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, office furniture, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT FIFTY-EIGHT</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

position to direct payment in the amount of \$140.40 drawn on check number 1103. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals and gifts for Clerk of Court employees and court personnel, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT FIFTY-NINE

USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$125.00 drawn on check number 6575. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, personal meals, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIXTY</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$76.86 drawn on check number 1103. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for court personnel and Clerk of Court employees, as well as dog food, dog bones, and a dog bed, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIXTY-ONE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$55.97 drawn on check number 1109. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, personal meals, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIXTY-TWO</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$154.01 drawn on check number 1107. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, personal meals and gifts, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIXTY-THREE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$425.00 drawn on check number 1108. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, personal meals noted as "reimb for Lori 50th birthday," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SIXTY-FOUR USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$56.50 drawn on check number 1109. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, candy, tea, and lemonade for "Lori's 50th birthday," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SIXTY-FIVE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$77.20 drawn on check number 1112. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for

herself, court personnel, and employees of the Attorney General's office, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SIXTY-SIX USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$72.10 drawn on check number 1112. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, noted as "Father's Day for guys," in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SIXTY-SEVEN USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$232.47 drawn on check number 1119. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, personal meals and court personnel, in violation of 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SIXTY-EIGHT USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$94.96 drawn on check number 1124. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SIXTY-NINE</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

position to direct payment in the amount of \$118.62 drawn on check number 1134. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, meals for herself and Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SEVENTY</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$76.71 drawn on check number 1136. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SEVENTY-ONE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$50.87 drawn on check number 1136. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, gifts for Clerk of Court employees, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SEVENTY-TWO USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$79.66 drawn on check number 1143. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, cleaning supplies, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

COUNT SEVENTY-THREE USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$183.25 drawn on check number 1151. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, office decorations, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

<u>COUNT SEVENTY-FOUR</u> USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN SECTION 8-13-700(A), S. C. CODE ANNOTATED, 1976, AS AMENDED

That Rebecca H. Hill, former Colleton County Clerk of Court, knowingly used her official position to direct payment in the amount of \$128.71 drawn on check number 1153. To wit, Hill directed that she be reimbursed for the purchase of items including, but not limited to, office decorations and supplies, in violation of Section 8-13-700(A).

You have the right to be represented by counsel, the right to call and examine witnesses, the right to introduce exhibits, and the right to cross-examine opposing witnesses. This hearing will be open to the public as required by Section 8-13-320(10)(j), Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended. The procedures to be followed are set forth in the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 1-23-10, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the State Ethics Act, Section 8-13-100, et seq., Code of Laws, South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and State Ethics Commission Regulations S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 52-707 (1997 Cum. Supp.).

A pre-hearing conference may be scheduled prior to the hearing to allow exchange of witness lists and evidence, marking of exhibits, and disposition of motions or pleadings. In the event you fail to appear, judgment by default will be rendered against you. If there are any questions concerning the above notice or hearing times, please contact the State Ethics

Certificate of Service by Certified Mail

I hereby certify that a copy of this **NOTICE OF HEARING** was duly served on Respondent's Attorney Will Lewis, 1513 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29201 by depositing said **NOTICE OF HEARING** in the United States mail, Columbia, South Carolina on this 17th day of May 2024, by CERTIFIED MAIL, E-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, appropriate postage affixed, and a return address clearly indicated on said envelope.

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