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ATTORNEY GENERAL



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Pascoe's corruption probe seen as eclipsing SC's Lost Trust Scandal of the 1990s

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA JUDICIARY



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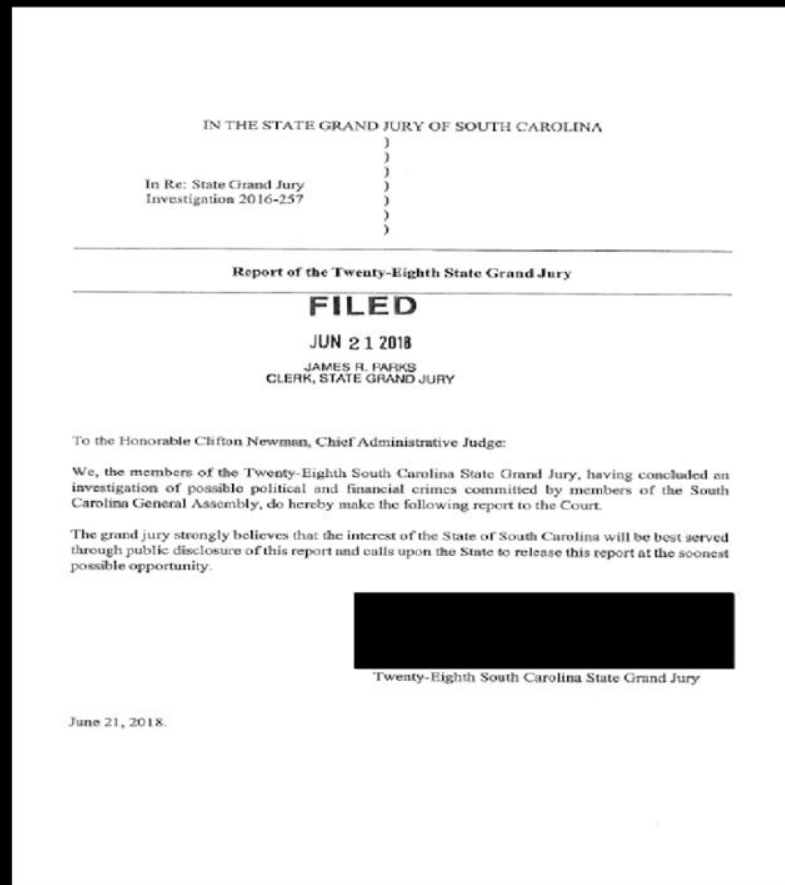
- Hired only by the legislature
- Paid solely by the legislature
- Can only be fired by the legislature
- Operation of the judiciary is financed by the legislature
- Judiciary arguably becomes an employee of the legislature, NOT a co-equal branch of government

LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE STATE GRAND JURY PROBE

The members of the State Grand Jury chose to discuss their findings in a comprehensive report

The report can be found on the First Circuit Solicitor's Office website:
WWW.SCSOLICITOR1.ORG

The report thoroughly discusses the details of the case.



ORIGINS OF THE STATE GRAND JURY PROBE

July 24, 2014 – Due to legal issues raised by Mr. Harrell, Wilson assigns the Harrell matter to Solicitor David Pascoe.

September 10, 2014 – Bobby Harrell is indicted by the Richland County Grand Jury for nine counts of Ethics Act violations including misconduct in office and improper use of campaign funds.

October 23, 2014 – Bobby Harrell is convicted, resigns from office, and agrees to be debriefed by SLED and the FBI.



RICHARD QUINN & ASSOCIATES

At the center of this scheme was a political consulting firm profiting from its influence over these and other legislators

Jim Harrison - Received \$900,000 in undisclosed funds from RQA

John Courson - Laundered \$160,000 in campaign funds through RQA

Jimmy Merrill - Funneled over \$80,000 in caucus money to his personal business

Rick Quinn - Attempted to hide his role in RQA cash for influence scheme

Tracy Edge - Paid by RQA while on the House Ways and Means Committee, was fired by RQA when he lost

If SLED had not convinced the Attorney General to refer the matter to the First Circuit Solicitor's Office, this scheme may still be operating today.



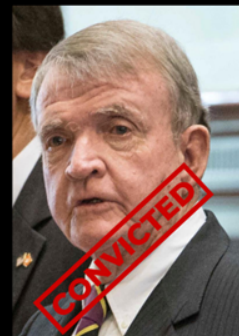
Jim Harrison



Rick Quinn



Jimmy Merrill



John Courson



Tracy Edge



The State

Final sentences handed down in SC State House scandal to ex-Richland, Horry lawmakers

06/01/2023



Pascoe, who McCulloch called the **“grim reaper of the Legislature,”** secured a guilty plea from Harrell in October 2014. Harrell was forced to resign one of the most powerful positions in state government.



Jim Harrison
House Judiciary Chairman



Rick Quinn
House Majority Leader



John Courson
Senate President Pro Tempore



Jimmy Merrill
House Majority Leader



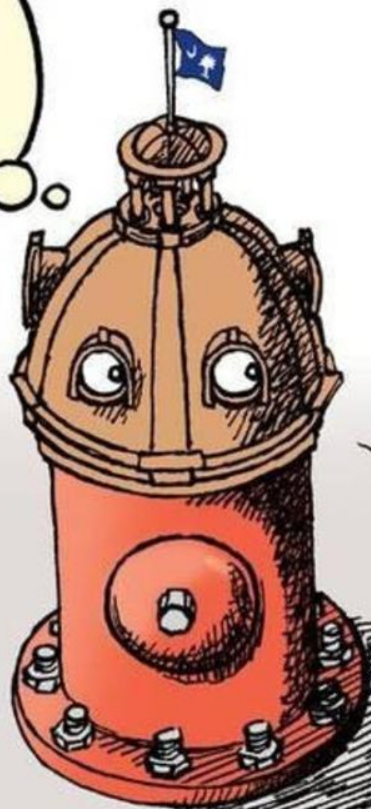
Bobby Harrell
Speaker of the House



Tracy Edge
House Ways and Means Member

A GOOD START...

HE'S
BACK !



A photograph of the Georgia State Capitol building, a large neoclassical structure with a prominent dome and a wide set of steps leading to the entrance. The building is made of light-colored stone. A semi-transparent red banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, featuring the text "THE SWAMP" in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. The sky above is filled with dramatic, grey clouds.

THE SWAMP

A large group of approximately 50 people, mostly men in suits and a few women in professional dresses, are posed on the wide stone steps of a grand building with classical columns. The group is arranged in several rows, with some people standing on the steps and others on the ground in front. The image has a red semi-transparent rectangular overlay in the center, which contains the text "LEADING SWAMP MONSTERS" in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

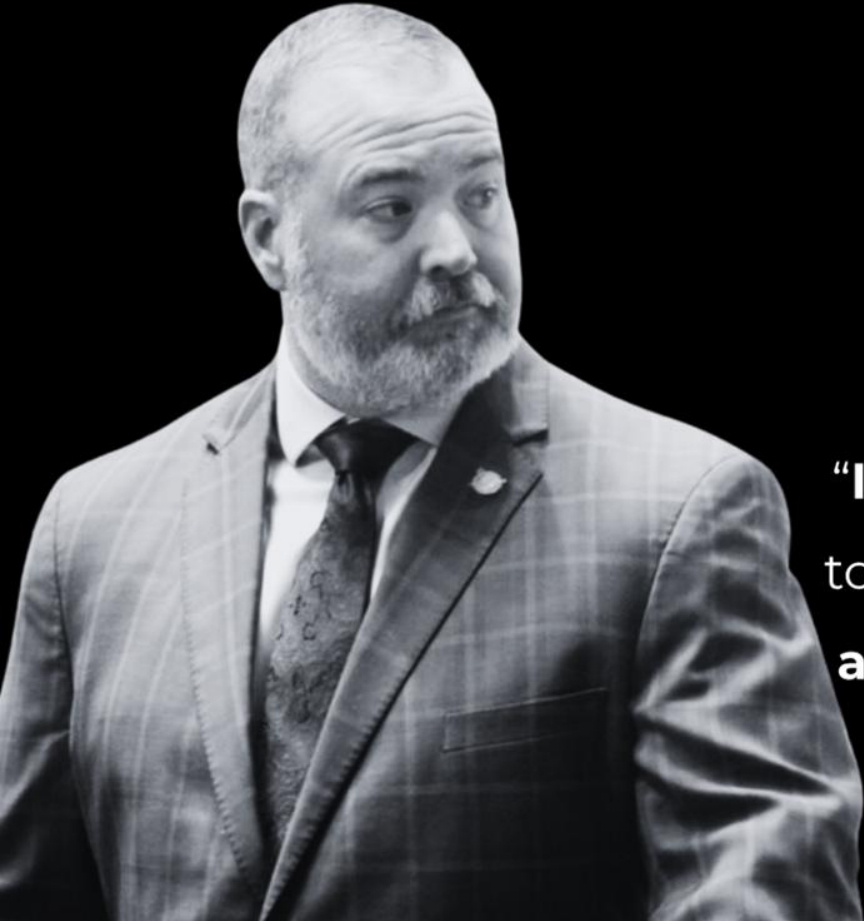
LEADING SWAMP MONSTERS

DAVID STUMBO

**TOLERATING
THE SWAMP**



WHO DOES STEPHEN GOLDFINCH WORK FOR?



The State

**Goldfinch says SC Treasurer case was a
“political liability”**

07/10/2025

“I didn’t want to do it. In fact, I asked not to do it. Sen. Grooms insisted that I do it, and Sen. Alexander insisted that I do it, and so I did it. It was a duty, and I felt honor bound... to do it.

The Post and Courier

**Changing the way SC picks judges divides the
State House as hearing begin**

11/14/2023



DAVID PASCOE

"Undercover MAGA Man"

FOX NEWS

IS SOLICITOR DAVID PASCOE
A SECRET "MAGA" MAN?

CLICK TO LEARN MORE

PAID FOR BY TODD RUTHERFORD FOR SC HOUSE DISTRICT 74



Gerri Suggs McDaniel

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American Conservative Voices invites all Horry County residents to welcome in the season and scratch that itch for politics this coming Tuesday-December 6th, at Simply Southern Smokehouse located at 1913 Mr. Joe White Ave, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. All Horry County residents are invited to attend. Advance reservations are N... See more

JOIN

AMERICAN CONSERVATIVE VOICES
THEY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND

A free barbecue buffet will be provided for all attending starting at 4 p.m. On Tuesday - December 6th at Simply Southern Smokehouse located at 1913 Joe White Ave, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Guest Speakers

Kevin R. Tolson, Sheriff

Solicitor Kevin Brackett

Solicitor David Pascoe



**SOLICITOR
DAVID PASCOE
IS COURTING
MAGA REPUBLICANS.**

ATTENDING MORE MAGA EVENTS THAN
OUR OWN DEMOCRAT PARTY EVENTS.

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SARAH FORD
OR CURRENT RESIDENT
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ORANGEBURG SC 29115-5311

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AMERICAN CONSERVATIVE VOICES!

Simply Southern Smokehouse

1913 Mr. Joe White Ave, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577
February 21, 2023; 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
\$10 Cash Only Buffet/BBQ

FREEDOM CAUCUS COMES TO MYRTLE BEACH



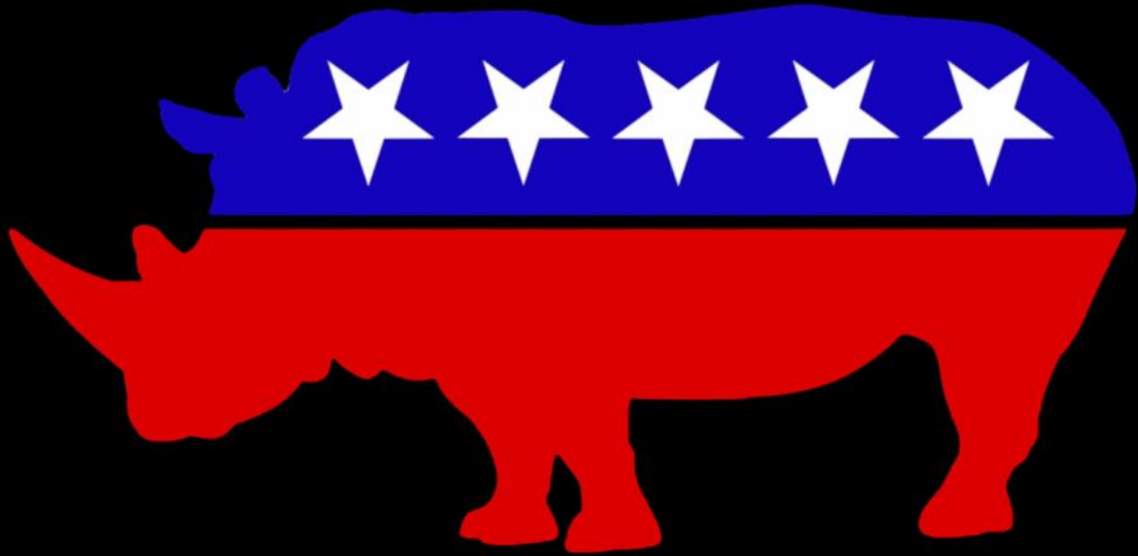
Additional Guest Speakers



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DEATH PENALTY



Mikal Mahdi

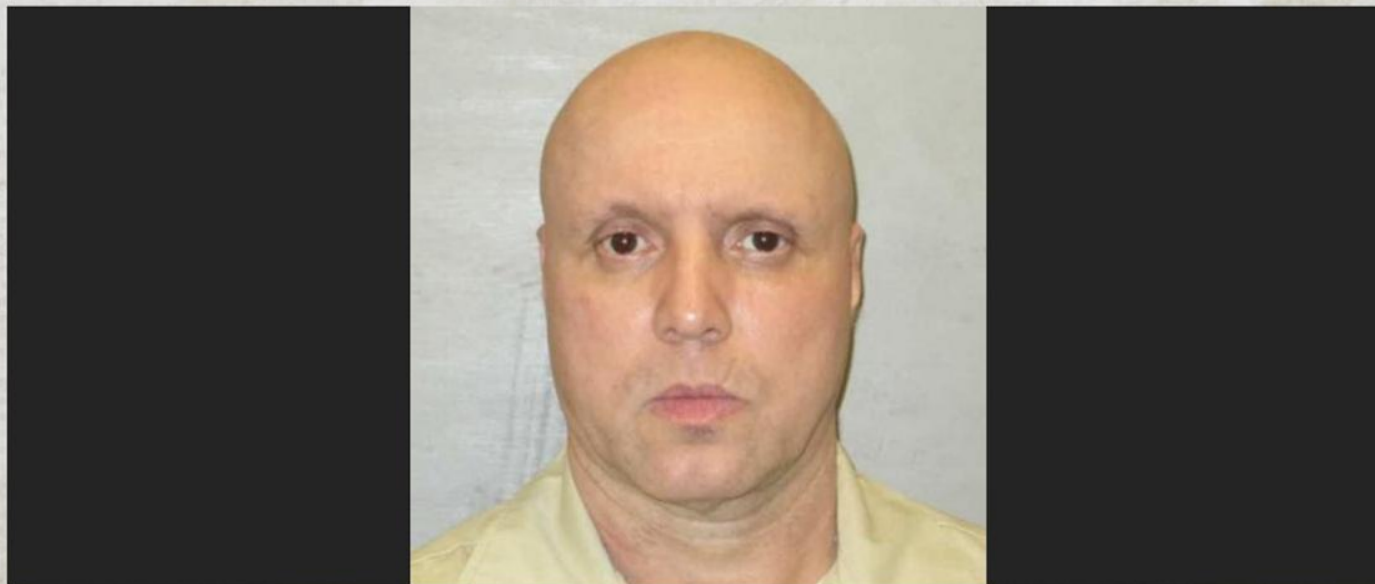


Kenneth Justis

The Post and Courier

**Solicitor suggests firing squad for South Carolina
executions after another killer gets reprieve**

09/28/2023



The Post and Courier

**'Astronomical' \$75 million SC payout to attorneys
made hours before hearing to block it**

09/20/2020



Current, Former Lawyer-Legislators' Firms to Share Fees in \$300M Settlement

03/14/2022



The State of South Carolina

OFFICE OF SOLICITOR
First Judicial Circuit



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September 10, 2020

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The Honorable Alan M. Wilson
S. C. Attorney General
P.O. Box 11549
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Attorney General Wilson:

I write to raise serious concerns about your intent to pay two law firms the proceeds of a \$600 Million settlement with the United States Department of Justice. I believe such payment is prohibited by South Carolina law and appears to be unethical which governs licensed attorneys. I request that you, Governor, legislative leaders get together to resolve these issues to avoid potential litigation.

South Carolina law prohibits the appropriation of State funds by any off-Branched government. The \$600 Million allocated in the Settlement Agreement public funds allocated to South Carolina. You, of all people, know that you have no authority to direct how those public funds are spent. Recently, you filed a South Carolina Supreme Court emphasizing the very point that executive branch authority to direct funds from a settlement agreement.

The following is a specific quote from your Brief:

Executive officers...possess no authority to appropriate funds, exclusively with the General Assembly, which has directed that funds be deposited in the State's general fund...See, *Condon v. Hodges*, 349 S.C. 232, 245, 562 S.E.2d 623 (2002) ["...there is no provision in the South Carolina Code or Constitution which provides that members of the executive branch have the ability to transfer funds from those to whom the General Assembly has appropriated money."]. As this Court squarely held in *McInnis*, supra, expenditures of public funds cannot be controlled "by administration rather than by legislation." Such would give the executive branch a "veto" over the General Assembly." Id. Such would violate separation powers. Art. I, § 8.

Finally, this deal reeks of political cronyism. The attorneys reportedly receiving this unconscionable amount of state funds are your closest political friends. Mr. Mustian's wife works for your campaign. In addition, you worked for Mr. Willoughby's law firm when you first ran for Attorney General, and your office has already awarded his firm approximately \$7 Million for representing the State in a prior contingency fee matter.¹

\$75 Million is an enormous amount of money that can be used to make a real difference in the lives of South Carolinians. You cannot lawfully give funds directed to go into the State General Fund to your political friends and even if you could, you should not. I request that you do the right thing as a constitutional officer of our State and seek approval from our General Assembly before you make any attempt to pay public funds to private law firms.

Respectfully yours,

David M. Pascoe, Jr.
First Circuit Solicitor

CHAPLIN

FARMER

**CUT GOVERNMENT
WASTE**

SECURE BORDERS

LAW AND ORDER

ONE OF US

REFORM

**TAXPAYER
WATCHDOG**

**PROTECT 2ND
AMENDMENT**



MALLOY

TRIAL LAWYER

MORE INFLATION

OPEN BORDERS

**DEFENDS
CRIMINALS**

**SPECIAL INTEREST
PUPPET**

**\$15K IN FREE
GIFTS**

**VOTED FOR \$5
BILLION TAX HIKE**

**"C" RATING FROM
NRA**

JD Chaplin

for State Senate

J.D. is the only person in this race with bipartisan law enforcement support to include our State's best known Democratic Solicitor & corruption fighter, First Circuit Solicitor David Pascoe!

ENDORSED BY



Solicitor
David
Pascoe
Circuit 1

"The two-party system in South Carolina is not R versus D, but those who strive to serve the people versus those who aim to serve themselves. Gerald Malloy serves only himself. He has proven to be no friend of law enforcement, and he is the reason we don't have meaningful judicial reform in our State. I urge everyone to vote Malloy OUT of Senate District 29." –David Pascoe



James Smith

Democrat James Smith:

- EXTREME partisan
- Not involved in the practice of law for the last 5 years (per JMISC report)



James Smith gets SC governor's race endorsement from Planned Parenthood
thestate.com



Facebook
James Smith - James Smith add...



Friction with corruption question with S Carolina Democrats | The Seattle Times

Mayor Steve Benjamin Endorses James Smith for Governor

BY CHRIS TRAMON
NOV 13, 2017 UPDATED MAY 16, 2019

WHEN SOMEONE TELLS YOU WHO THEY ARE,
BELIEVE THEM.

The Post and Courier

Goldfinch faces charges in
stem cell harvesting case

11/25/2013

Voted for a liberal,
Planned Parenthood
endorsed judicial
candidate... **twice.**

The State

SC judge race: Wide support for Democrat
James Smith forces rivals out

01/24/2025

**WHAT DO SOLICITOR DAVID PASCOE AND PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP
HAVE IN COMMON?**



**THEY BOTH LEFT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO
FIGHT CORRUPTION!**

**I will not run for any other office
but Attorney General.**

SOUTH CAROLINA WILL PROTECT OUR CHILDREN

- 1.) ADVOCATE DEATH PENALTY FOR CHILD TRAFFICKING AND RAPE
- 2.) DRASTICALLY INCREASE CONVICTION AND PRISON RATE OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CASES
- 3.) RE-ESTABLISH THE YOUTH MENTOR PROGRAM

FIGHTING CORRUPTION IN SOUTH CAROLINA

- 1.) PUBLIC CORRUPTION UNIT (PCU)
- 2.) END LAWYER-LEGISLATOR LITIGATION RETENTION AGREEMENTS
- 3.) END LAWYER-LEGISLATOR PRIVILEGE & PROTECTION WITH INSURANCE RESERVE FUND CIVIL CASES
- 4.) CONTINUE THE FIGHT FOR REAL JUDICIAL REFORM

PUBLIC CORRUPTION UNIT

- WORKING WITH ETHICS' COMMITTEES ON COMPLAINTS
- REVIEW ALL WATCHDOG COMPLAINTS
- CONCENTRATE ON LOBBYING ACTIVITIES
- ROAM HALLS OF STATE HOUSE
- REVIEW SEI'S
- ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT (NO MORE EXECUTIVE MEETINGS AND IGNORING FOIA)

HOUSE & ETHICS COMMITTEE



LAWYER-LEGISLATORS ON GOVERNMENT CONTRACT CASES



YOU'RE FIRED!

The State

I prosecuted Mikal Mahdi in South Carolina. This is why I sought the death penalty | Opinion

04/02/2025



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PASCOE FOR AG**