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COMPLAINT FORM

Alleging a Violation of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Act

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JURISDICTION: This office has jurisdiction ONLY in matters involving financial disclosure, campaign finance, and lobbyist disclosure. O.C.G.A. §45-1-6 covers state vendor disclosure law as outlined in the Campaign Finance Act in O.C.G.A. Title 21-5 et seq and O.C.G.A. §45-1-6 covering state vendor disclosure law. Please ensure that your complaint is within the Commission's jurisdiction.

Mail or hand delivery original signed/notarized form and attachments to above address.

I. PERSON BRINGING COMPLAINT = COMPLAINANT:

Name:	John Stolzberg				
Address:	4281 Flippen Trail				
City:	Peachtree Corners	State:	GA	County:	Gwinnett
Zip:	30092				
Telephone:	404-786-7664	E-mail (optional):			

II. PARTY AGAINST WHOM COMPLAINT IS BROUGHT = RESPONDENT:

Name:	James C. Lowe				
Address:	5723 Denton Circle				
City:	Peachtree Corners	State:	GA	County:	Gwinnett
Zip:	30092				
Telephone:	404-272-2633				

Title of office held or sought: (if applicable)	State House Representative - District 95
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III. STATEMENT OF FACTS:

State the actions of the Respondent upon which your complaint is based along with an ALLEGATION that such facts constitute one or more violations of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Act. See JURISDICTION above. Include relevant dates and the names and addresses of other persons who you believe have knowledge of the facts and attach any documentation/evidence that support the facts alleged in this complaint. Please see § 21-5-6.23 regarding attorneys' fees.

Jay Lowe, a qualified candidate for State House District 95, has not filed a personal financial disclosure report that is due within 15 days of qualifying. Being well outside of the 15 day window, Jay Lowe is in violation of O.C.A. § 21-5-50.

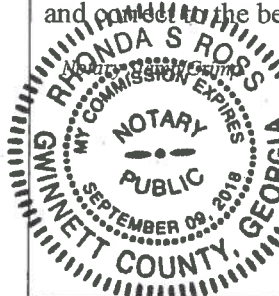
Mr. Lowe, according to the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission's online system, has not filed a Declaration of Intent to accept contributions. However, he has solicited, accepted, and spent money for his campaign on signs, materials, and a website at www.votejaylowe.com. Unless it is updated in the system appropriately, Mr. Lowe is in violation of O.C.A. § 21-5-30(g).

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IV. VERIFICATION BY OATH OR AFFIRMATION – ORIGINAL NOTARY & SIGNATURES REQUIRED

STATE OF Georgia COUNTY OF Gwinnett

I, the undersigned Complainant, being duly sworn, depose (affirm) and say that the information in this Complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Sworn to and subscribed before me on

April 10, 2016

Rhonda S. Ross
Signature of Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
Aug 9, 2018

SIGNATURE AND STATEMENT OF COMPLAINANT:

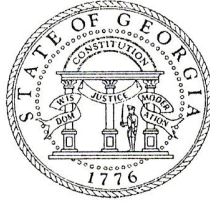
☐ I AM, ☒ I AM NOT, in filing this complaint acting as an agent, paid or otherwise, for any other person.

[Signature]
DATE: April 11th, 2016

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April 12, 2016

VIA CERTIFIED/RETURN RECEIPT U.S. MAIL

Mr. James C. Lowe
5723 Denton Circle
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092

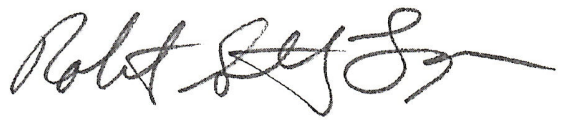
RE: IN THE MATTER OF JAMES C. LOWE
CASE NO. 2016-0031

Dear Mr. Lowe,

Enclosed you will find a copy of a sworn complaint filed by John Stolzberg on April 11, 2016, which alleges that you have violated the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Act (hereinafter, "Act"). You have thirty days to respond, in writing, if you should choose to do so. For your consideration, the Act and the Rules of the Commission can be found on our website at www.ethics.ga.gov.

Going forward Commission staff will review the complaint to determine if there is a basis to proceed forward with further prosecution. Should Commission staff determine that there is no basis for proceeding with the complaint under the Act, or any other statute within the jurisdiction of the Commission, Commission staff will notify you and the Complainant that the complaint is being administratively dismissed pursuant to Commission Rule 189-2-.03(5) without any formal action by the Commission.

If Commission staff determine that there is a basis to proceed forward with prosecution, the complaint will be brought before the Commission at a preliminary hearing, when the Commission will determine whether there are reasonable grounds to believe that a violation of the Act has occurred. You will be notified in advance of the time and place of any hearing. All meetings of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission are open to the public pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Lane", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert Lane
Staff Attorney

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Enclosure: Complaint

cc: John Stolzberg