

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
BOARD OF ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY**



**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**Date: September 25, 2025**

**C [REDACTED] Jones**

**CASE NO: 24-0134-P**

**ORDER**

Pursuant to the authority conferred by D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.13 and pursuant to authorization by the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability (“BEGA”), the Director of Government Ethics has conducted a preliminary investigation into allegations that the Respondent, C [REDACTED] Jones (Respondent), violated the District’s Code of Conduct by failing to file full and complete financial disclosure statements pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.24(a)(1). The allegations contend that Respondent failed to disclose his position and his spouse’s position with Top Solutions LLC for reporting periods 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

**Based on the results of the preliminary investigation, and the Show Cause Hearing held on July 29, 2025, the Director of Government Ethics has determined that the Respondent’s actions violated D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.24(a)(1). Pursuant to 3 DCMR § 5535.4, Respondent is ordered to pay a fine in the amount of \$500 no later than October 13, 2025.**

**Statement of the Case**

This matter was a preliminary investigation into allegations that Respondent, former employee of the Department of Employment Services (“DOES”), failed to file full and complete financial disclosure statements pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.24(a)(1).

**Summary of Evidence**

Respondent was a public official per D.C. Official Code § 1-1161.01(47)(I) and thus, was required to file a public financial disclosure statement. Respondent filed public financial disclosure statements in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022. Respondent stated that Top Solutions is a property management company that he and his spouse own, as President and Vice President, which is used to collect rental payments and manage expenses. According to Respondent, Top Solutions does not make any money.

Question #3 on the financial disclosure statement asks:

In the previous calendar year, did you serve in any unpaid position or in any other formal capacity (without compensation) of a non-government board or other outside entity where you had influence over the entity's finances or decision-making (e.g., as an officer, director, partner, consultant, contractor, volunteer, or member)?

Question #4 on the financial disclosure statement asks:

During the previous calendar year, did your spouse, registered domestic partner, or dependent child(ren) serve in any unpaid position or in any other formal capacity (without compensation) of a non-government board or other outside entity where they had influence over the entity's finances or decision-making (e.g., as an officer, director, partner, consultant, contractor, volunteer, or member)?

Respondent admitted that he failed to disclose his service at Top Solutions on his 2019, 2020, and 2022 public financial disclosure statements. He also admitted that he failed to disclose his spouse's service at Top Solutions on his 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 public financial disclosure statements. In mitigation of Respondent's conduct, he readily attempted to amend his financial disclosure statements upon notice of the omission. Since the Show Cause Hearing, Respondent has amended his statements.

### **Conclusions of Law**

**Based on the evidence of record, I therefore conclude:**

1. D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.21(a)(3) states that the Board [of Ethics and Government Accountability] may issue a schedule of fines for violations of [the Code of Conduct], which may be imposed ministerially by the Director of Government Ethics. The Board has so issued that Schedule of Fines.<sup>1</sup>
2. D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.24(a)(1) provides public officials, except Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners and candidates for election to public office, who are not otherwise required to file pursuant to this paragraph, shall file with the Board a public report containing a full and complete statement (also implemented in District Personnel Manual § 1810.1).
3. The Respondent violated D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.24(a)(1) by failing to file full and complete financial disclosure statements in 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

**WHEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority conferred upon me by D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.21(a)(3) and 3 DCMR § 5535.1, it is hereby **ORDERED** that a ministerial fine in the amount of **FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)** is assessed against the Respondent. Pursuant to 3 DCMR § 5535.4, this fine shall be effective on October 13, 2025. Respondent shall make payment via certified check or money order made out to the D.C. Treasurer on behalf of BEGA or by using the following payment link: <https://dcwebforms.dc.gov/pay/bega1/> and referencing 24-0134-P.

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<sup>1</sup> See 3 DCMR § 5530, *et seq.*



ASHLEY COOKS  
Director of Government Ethics

9/25/2025  
DATE

**SERVICE OF ORDER**

This is to certify I have served a true copy of the foregoing Order on C [REDACTED] Jones via email at [REDACTED]  
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**NOTICE**

Any party adversely affected by this Order may file an appeal with the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability at 1030 15<sup>th</sup> Street N.W., Suite 700 West, Washington, D.C. 20005, or by emailing [bega@dc.gov](mailto:bega@dc.gov). All such appeals must be received by the Board no later than ten (10) days from the date of this Order, excluding weekends and District government holidays.