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The Honorable Nikki R Haley  
Office of the Governor  
1205 Pendleton St  
Columbia SC 29201

December 22, 2014

Dear Nikki:

First I want to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I hope you can help me with this problem.

I was working for Marshall Elem. School when I became ill on the fourth day of school this school year and had to enter the hospital. The doctor told me that I would be out for a while. I informed the school.

The first of October, my doctor informed me that I would not be able to go back to school this year so I took my door key to the principal, Dyisha Taylor, and told her she needed to get a long-term sub or another teacher.

After another doctor's appointment on October 15, 2014, I decided to go by retirement and check on retiring. I had 34 years of teaching experience. They told me I could retire the next day if I wanted, so I filled out the paperwork to do so. (I thought maybe I would have to wait a month or 6 weeks – I did not know you could do it so quickly.)

After getting back to Orangeburg, I stopped by the school and told Mrs. Taylor and Mrs Heath Owens (Asst. Principal) that I had filled out the retirement paperwork and I would send a resignation letter to Jesse Washington (Chief Human Resources Services Officer) the next day. I did that.

A week later, I met with the new teacher in my room, Mr Jacob Rettig, and gave him my role book and student information sheets and other information.

At the end of Oct., I did not receive a retirement check, but the retirement office said there was a 20% possibility that if the district office was slow in getting the forms to them that I would not get a check until the end of Nov.

So I waited.

On November 19 Mrs. Taylor called me to tell me that Janice Brown (from finance) had called her to inform her that I was still on the delete list ( I don't know what that means). Mrs. Taylor suggested I send in another resignation letter. So I emailed it to Mrs. Taylor and Janice Brown with instructions to forward it to those who needed it.

The end of November yielded no check.

So on Dec. 2, I called retirement. They told me no one had sent in form 6201 from the district office yet.

Then my SCEA lawyer called me to say that the OCSD5 lawyer had called her to say that Jesse Washington would not accept my resignation letter: in that letter I had mentioned that I had been to see SC Retirement and had completed the paperwork.

So I sent him a one sentence letter on Dec. 2.

On Dec. 17, I received new BC/BS health insurance cards from PEBA (Retirement Office). After receiving these cards, I assumed that I would soon be getting a check.

I kept checking every day. No check. By today, Dec. 22, still no check. So I called SC Retirement again. They told me that no one had sent in form 6201 yet. (It is a form that is sent in electronically.)

So I started called district office personnel. No luck. I called most of the board members. No luck.

I did talk to Darlene Culclasure, who works in finance. She told me that Human Resources gives the OK to finance to send in form 6201 to retirement: that means that Jesse Washington has to give the OK to Pam Williams in finance.

**Board Members:**

Mrs. Mary Berry Ulmer, chairman --- 155 Patro Lane, Cameron SC 29030

Henry N. Jenkins, Sr. --- 2472 Beech Dr., Orangeburg SC 29115

Samuel Farlow --- 179 Boneparte Rd., Cameron SC 29030 --- 823-2775

- very nice and going to see what he can do

Julius Page --- 2992 Bethune St, Orangeburg SC 29115 --- 534-7682

Vernon Stephens --- 8534 Charleston Hwy, Bowman, SC 29018

Mrs. Idella W. Carson --- 3121 Belleville Rd, Orangeburg, SC 29118 --- 531-3848

Mrs. Susan Gleaton --- POBox 133, North Sc 29112-0133 --- 247-5825

**OCSD5 District Office**

Cynthia Wilson – Superintendent

Sharon Quinn – Deputy Supt.

Dr. Jesse Washington – Chief Human Resources Services Office

W. Donnie Boland – Deputy Supt. for Finance and Operations – Columbia --- 791-8995 (?)

Pam Williams – Finance – 146 Groveland Ct, North SC 29112 (?)

Sincerely,

Carol Durgan

Was 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher

Marshall Elem. School

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Jesse Washington  
Human Resources  
Orangeburg 5 Schools

December 3, 2014

Dear Mr. Washington:

I resign from Orangeburg Consolidated School District 5 as of October 15, 2014.

Sincerely,  
Carol Durgan  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher  
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Dyisha Talyor  
Principal  
Marshall Elem. School  
Orangeburg 5

Nov. 19, 2014

Dear Mrs. Dyisha Taylor:

I met with SC Retirement on October 15, 2014, and turned in my retirement papers effective October 16, 2014.

I have enjoyed working with you and want to thank you for letting me pick up my teaching materials when I am able.

Sincerely,  
Carol Durgan  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher  
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Dr. Jesse Washington  
Human Resources  
Orangeburg 5 Schools

Oct. 16, 2014

Dear Dr. Washington:

I met with SC Retirement on October 15, 2014, and turned in my retirement papers effective October 16, 2014.

I hereby resign from my position as second grade teacher with Orangeburg 5 schools.

Sincerely,  
Carol Durgan  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher  
Marshall Elem. School  
2014-2015