

## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
 ) PRE-MUR 638  
 Crown Products & Services, Inc.; Steven )  
 Douglas Simmons; Douglas Schane )

AMENDED CERTIFICATION

I, Vicktoria J. Allen, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on December 16, 2021, the Commission took the following actions, subject to the Notice of Errata dated October 5, 2021, in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 3-3 to:
  - a. Open a Matter Under Review.
  - b. Find reason to believe that Crown Products & Services, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30118(a) and 30122, and 11 C.F.R. §§ 114.2(b) and 110.4(b)(1)(i).
  - c. Find reason to believe that Steven Douglas Simmons violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30118(a) and 30122, and 11 C.F.R. §§ 114.2(e) and 110.4(b)(1)(ii).
  - d. Issue a letter of admonishment and close the file as to Douglas Schane.
  - e. Authorize pre-probable cause conciliation with Crown Products & Services, Inc. and Steven Douglas Simmons.
  - f. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated September 22, 2021,
  - g. Approve the Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated September 22, 2021.
  - h. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Broussard, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor dissented.

2. Decided by a vote of 6-0 to:

- a. Open a Matter Under Review. MUR 7949
- b. Find reason to believe that Crown Products & Services, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30118(a) and 30122, and 11 C.F.R. §§ 114.2(b) and 110.4(b)(1)(i).
- c. Find reason to believe that Steven Douglas Simmons violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30118(a) and 30122, and 11 C.F.R. §§ 114.2(e) and 110.4(b)(1)(ii).
- d. Issue a letter of admonishment and close the file as to Douglas Schane.
- e. Authorize pre-probable cause conciliation with Crown Products & Services, Inc. and Steven Douglas Simmons.
- f. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated September 22, 2021, subject to the edits circulated by Commissioner Cooksey's Office on December 15, 2021 at 12:21 p.m.,
- g. Approve the Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated September 22, 2021, subject to the edits circulated by Commissioner's Cooksey's Office on December 15, 2021 at 12:21 p.m.
- h. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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Date

Attest:

**Vicktoria J Allen** Digitally signed by Vicktoria J Allen  
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Vicktoria J. Allen  
Acting Deputy Secretary of the  
Commission