

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO
RICHLAND COUNTY
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STATE OF OHIO,

CASE NO.

Plaintiff

2502691N

VS.

INDICTMENT

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN

DOB: 09/18/1969

Defendant.

On the term September 2025 Second
Session

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of Richland County, on their oaths, in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, do find and present:

Count One: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of May 2022 to on or about the 31st day of October 2022, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did knowingly authorize, or employ the authority or influence of the public official's office to secure authorization of a public contract, to wit: [REDACTED] in which the public official, a member of the public official's family, or any of the public official's business associates has an interest in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2921.42(A)(1) and 2921.42(E), Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, a Felony of the Fourth Degree.

Count Two: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of May 2022 to on or about the 31st day of October 2022, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did knowingly have an interest in the profits or benefits of a public contract, to wit: [REDACTED] entered into by or for the use of the political subdivision or governmental agency or instrumentality with which the public official is connected in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2921.42(A)(4) and 2921.42(E), Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, a Misdemeanor of the First Degree.

Count Three: Conflict of Interest

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of May 2022 to on or about the 31st day of October 2022, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did use or authorize

the use of the authority or influence of office or employment to secure anything of value or the promise or offer of anything of value that is of such a character as to manifest a substantial and improper influence upon the public official or employee with respect that person's duties in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 102.03(D) and 102.99(B), a Misdemeanor of the First Degree.

Count Four: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of March 2023 to on or about the 30th day of June 2023, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did knowingly have an interest in the profits or benefits of a public contract, to wit: Payments to Jay Wachs, entered into by or for the use of the political subdivision or governmental agency or instrumentality with which the public official is connected in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2921.42(A)(4) and 2921.42(E), Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, a Misdemeanor of the First Degree.

Count Five: Conflict of Interest

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of March 2023 to on or about the 30th day of June 2023, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did use or authorize the use of the authority or influence of office or employment to secure anything of value or the promise or offer of anything of value that is of such a character as to manifest a substantial and improper influence upon the public official or employee with respect that person's duties in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 102.03(D) and 102.99(B), a Misdemeanor of the First Degree.

Count Six: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract

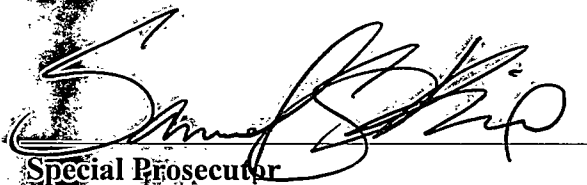
JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of February 2023 to on or about the 31st day of October 2023, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did knowingly have an interest in the profits or benefits of a public contract, to wit: [REDACTED] Services, entered into by or for the use of the political subdivision or governmental agency or instrumentality with which the public official is connected in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2921.42(A)(4) and 2921.42(E), Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, a Misdemeanor of the First Degree.

Count Seven: Conflict of Interest

JOSEPH J. TROLIAN, on or about the 1st day of February 2023 to on or about the 31st day of October 2023, at the county of Richland aforesaid, was a public official and did use or authorize the use of the authority or influence of office or employment to secure anything of value or the promise or offer of anything of value that is of such a character as to manifest a substantial and improper influence upon the public official or employee with respect that person's duties in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 102.03(D) and 102.99(B), a Misdemeanor of the First Degree.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Samuel J. Kirk III (0077758)
Special Prosecutor for Richland County



Special Prosecutor

SUMMARY OF INDICTMENT

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2140 WILLOW LANE
LEXINGTON, OH 44904

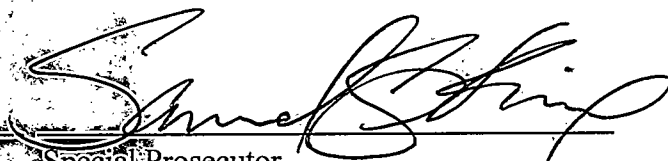
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Indictment for:

- Count 1: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, O.R.C. §2921.42(A)(1), (E), F4
Count 2: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, O.R.C. §2921.42(A)(4), (E), M1
Count 3: Conflict of Interest, O.R.C. §102.03(D), 102.99(B), M1
Count 4: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, O.R.C. §2921.42(A)(4), (E), M1
Count 5: Conflict of Interest, O.R.C. §102.03(D), 102.99(B), M1
Count 6: Unlawful Interest in a Public Contract, O.R.C. §2921.42(A)(4), (E), M1
Count 7: Conflict of Interest, O.R.C. §102.03(D), 102.99(B), M1

A TRUE BILL


Foreperson of the Grand Jury


Special Prosecutor

The State of Ohio, Richland County.

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original indictment, with the endorsements thereon, now on file in my office.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court, at Richland County, Ohio on this day of _____, _____.

Denise Ruhl, Clerk
By: Deputy Clerk
