

COMPTROLLER'S INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

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Treasurer Lillard and Commissioner Bryson:

The Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury conducted an investigation of selected records of the Tennessee Department of the Treasury and the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, and the results are presented herein.

Copies of this report are being forwarded to Governor Bill Lee, the State Attorney General, the District Attorney General of the 23rd Judicial District, certain state legislators, and various other interested parties. A copy of the report is available for public inspection in our Office and may be viewed at http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/ia/.

Sincerely,

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Comptroller of the Treasury

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The Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, with assistance from the Tennessee Department of Treasury and the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, investigated allegations of malfeasance related to retirement benefits. The investigation was initiated after receiving allegations of Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System pension payments being made to an individual who had been reported missing thirteen years prior. The investigation was limited to selected records for the period September 2009 through December 2023. The results of the investigation were communicated with the Office of the District Attorney General of the 23rd Judicial District.

BACKGROUND



The Tennessee Department of Treasury is directed by a Constitutional Officer of the State of Tennessee who is elected every two years by the Tennessee General Assembly. The Tennessee Department of Treasury (Treasury) is responsible for various duties, including the administration of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System. The Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) is the pension system for retired State of Tennessee employees. Within this capacity, Treasury pays state retirees a monthly pension payment from TCRS based on various factors, including years of state service. The Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration (F&A) is the State of Tennessee's chief corporate office, which is directed by a Commissioner who is appointed by the Governor. F&A offers and manages medical insurance for state retirees, the cost of which is supplemented by the state.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

- 1. AMY ANGLEA RECEIVED AT LEAST \$354,482.10 IN STATE OF TENNESSEE RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO WHICH SHE WAS NOT ENTITLED
 - A. Amy Anglea received at least \$238,688.54 in pension payments from the State of Tennessee to which she was not entitled



Investigators determined that since at least August 2011, Amy Anglea received pension payments that she was not entitled to receive. These benefits were paid on behalf of her husband, Charles Anglea, who was reported missing in 2010. When Charles Anglea retired, he had several pension plans to choose from. He chose the "regular/maximum plan," giving him the maximum pension with no survivor benefit. Based on TCRS regulations, benefits under this plan were to be paid to Charles Anglea for the remainder of his life. Under this pension program, he was required to complete the Report of Annual Earnings form each year, attesting that he was unable to work and to report his income for the prior year. If TCRS did not receive these necessary forms, the pension payments would have been suspended until the forms were submitted and signed by the retiree. Benefits would cease at Charles Anglea's death or when he did not submit his Report of Annual Earnings form.

After her husband's disappearance, Amy Anglea completed and submitted Report of Annual Earning forms that she signed and attested to on behalf of her missing husband. She entered the required information on the form(s), including a statement that Charles Anglea was not presently capable of gainful employment and that he did not work while receiving retirement benefits. Amy Anglea acknowledged in an interview with a government agency that she signed Charles Anglea's name on the various Report of Annual Earning forms after his disappearance (Refer to Exhibit 1).

Exhibit 1 Are you presently capable of gainful employment? () Yes (WNo Did you work in 2011 while receiving retirement benefits? () Yes If you worked last year while receiving retirement benefits from the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System and earned a salary, please answer the following questions. DO NOT include salaries earned prior to retirement, social security benefits, workers' compensation, veteran's benefits, civil service pension, pension from local school systems, disability insurance benefits, rental income or interest earned on investments. I have read the foregoing instrument and do affirm that the information contained is true. If knowingly, I have falsified any information. I do so under penalty of law. Amy Anglea acknowledged that she signed on behalf of her missing husband eture of Retiree TR-0176 (Rev. 01/12) RDA 413

A Report of Annual Earnings form submitted to TCRS signed by Amy Anglea

After reviewing various TCRS rules and regulations, investigators found that retirees had ninety days to submit the Report of Annual Earnings form before benefits were suspended (**Refer to Exhibit 2**). Based on this requirement, Charles Anglea's pension should have been suspended on or about August 2011.



Exhibit 2

Any disability retiree who fails to submit a report of annual earnings within ninety (90) days after the initial request shall have his retirement benefits suspended until the report of annual earnings is received. If the report is subsequently submitted and the earnings do not exceed the applicable limit, benefits will be paid retroactive to the date benefits were suspended.

TCRS rules and regulations regarding retirement pensions

B. Amy Anglea received at least \$115,793.56 in health insurance benefits from the State of Tennessee to which she was not entitled

Investigators determined that since at least August 2011, Amy Anglea received health insurance benefits to which she was not entitled. F&A administers the state's sponsored insurance benefits, in part, to pension recipients while they are actively enrolled with TCRS. Because Charles Anglea's TCRS benefits should have been suspended in August 2011, Amy Anglea was not entitled to health care benefits she received through F&A after August 2011. Based on the falsified filings submitted by Amy Anglea, the state continued to supplement Amy Anglea's health insurance benefits when the benefits should have been suspended on or about August 2011.

Summary of Misappropriation by Amy Anglea

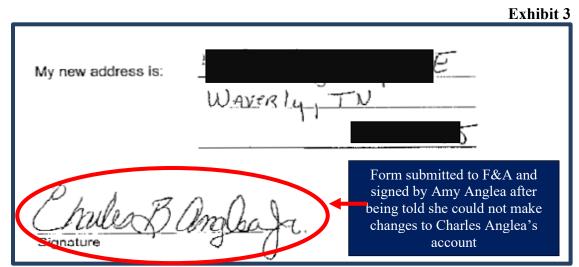
Description		Amount
A.	Pension Benefits	\$238,688.54
B.	Health Insurance Benefits	115,793.56
	Total Misappropriation	\$354,482.10

2. AMY ANGLEA REPEATEDLY SIGNED CHARLES ANGLEA'S NAME ON GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS SINCE AT LEAST 2011 AFTER HIS DISAPPEARANCE

Investigators reviewed various records and phone call recordings from TCRS and F&A, and found that Amy Anglea signed Charles Anglea's name on numerous forms beginning after his disappearance in 2010, and submitted the forms to the state for a variety of purposes. In one instance, investigators discovered that Amy Anglea attempted to change the home address associated with Charles Anglea's benefits account, but a representative from F&A informed her that only Charles could make changes to his account. Investigators located a document that was subsequently submitted to F&A after this call that contained Charles Anglea's signature. Amy Anglea told investigators that she was the one who signed the document that contained Charles Anglea's signature (Refer to Exhibit 3). F&A representatives told investigators that



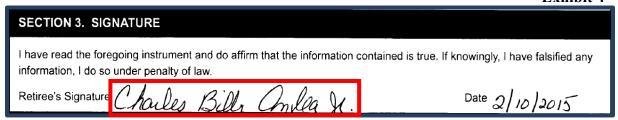
if they had known that Charles Anglea was not the one signing the various forms, they would not have made changes to the account.



Excerpt of a form submitted to F&A that made changes to Charles Anglea's account, containing Charles Anglea's signature that Amy Anglea told investigators she signed

Investigators found numerous other forms bearing Charles Anglea's signature that Amy Anglea signed after his disappearance (Refer to Exhibit 4).

Exhibit 4



Example of a form Amy Anglea submitted to the state after signing Charles Anglea's name

On February 3, 2025, the Humphreys County Grand Jury indicted Amy Anglea on one count of Theft of property \$250,000 or more, one count of Forgery, one count of Destruction, Tampering, or Fabrication of a Government Record, and one count of Identity Theft.

The charges and allegations contained in the indictment are merely accusations of criminal conduct, and not evidence. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt and convicted through due process of law.

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<u>Investigation Exhibit</u>