

Nimrata “Nikki” Randhawa Haley

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- Haley Worked For Her Family’s Clothing Business Exotica International As Chief Financial Officer.** “From early on, Ms. Haley was involved in her family’s clothing business Exotica International, which sells gowns, suits and jewelry taking over the bookkeeping at age 13. Her father, Ajit Randhawa, was a biology professor at Voorhees College in nearby Denmark, S.C.; her mother, Raj, started Exotica as a gift shop. Before she ran for office, Ms. Haley got an accounting degree at Clemson University, where she met Mr. Haley. She worked for FCR, a waste management and recycling company, and then returned to Exotica as chief financial officer and helped the

company grow into a multimillion-dollar business.” (Shaila Dewan and Robbie Brown, “All Her Life, Nikki Haley Was The Different One,” [The New York Times](#), 6/13/10)

- **Exotica International Was Penalized Three Times For Not Paying Taxes.** “On the campaign trail, state GOP gubernatorial candidate Nikki Haley frequently cites her experience as the accountant for her family's clothing store, saying she oversaw its growth to a multimillion dollar operation, and the state needs such skills. But records obtained by The Associated Press show the family company has been penalized three times since 2003 for not paying taxes. In each case, the taxes were at least 19 months past due.” (Seanna Adcox, “Haley Business Was Penalized,” [Associated Press](#), 9/9/10)
- **While In The State Legislature, Nikki Haley Earned More Than \$40,000 In 2007 And 2008 For Consulting Work Done For South Carolina Engineering Firm Wilbur Smith Associates.** “Republican gubernatorial candidate Nikki Haley earned more than \$40,000 in 2007 and 2008 consulting for one of South Carolina's largest engineering firms, according to tax records from those years released by her campaign on Monday.” (Peter Hamby, “Haley Earned \$42,500 For Consulting Work While In Legislature,” [CNN](#) 6/21/10)
 - **The Consulting Fees Were Revealed During Her Run For Governor When She Released Tax Forms That Showed \$2,000 From Wilbur Smith That She Had Not Previously Disclosed.** “Haley's work for the firm, Wilbur Smith Associates, was first revealed last week when the campaign allowed reporters to view her 2009 tax records. The records showed that Haley collected \$2,000 from the company, money she did not disclose on state ethics filings.” (Peter Hamby, “Haley Earned \$42,500 For Consulting Work While In Legislature,” [CNN](#) 6/21/10)

BACKGROUND (GENERAL/CAREER)

Nikki Haley



Education

Clemson University - B.S., Accounting - 1994

Clemson, SC ([NNDB](#), Accessed 11/22/16)

Work Experience

2011 –Present: South Carolina Governor ([NNDB](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

2005 – 2011: South Carolina House Of Representatives Representative, 85th District ([NNDB](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

1996 – 2004: Exotica International CFO ([NNDB](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

1994 – 1996: Exotica International Accounting Manager ([NNDB](#), Accessed 11/22/16)

1993 – 1994: FCR Corporation Accountant ([NNDB](#), Accessed 11/22/16)

General

Haley Is “A Proud Daughter Of Indian Immigrants.” “When South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley declared herself the ‘proud daughter of Indian immigrants’ in the Republican response to the State of the Union address last week, her brief personal narrative felt like a departure from the folksy, Kohl’s-shopping,

burger-flipping yarns that so many politicians tell about themselves in an election cycle.” (Lavanya Ramanathan, For Nikki Haley And Other Politicians, Immigrant Ties Are A Dual Edged Sword,” [The Washington Post](#) 1/17/16)

TRUMP-PENCE

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In June 2016, Haley Connected Trump's Rhetoric To The Shooting At Charleston's Emanuel AME Church, Saying “I Know What That Rhetoric Can Do. I Saw It Happen.” “South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley said Thursday she wishes Donald Trump communicated differently because bad things result from divisive rhetoric, as evidenced by last June's massacre in Charleston. The Republican governor said divisive speech motivated Dylann Roof to gun down nine black parishioners at historic Emanuel AME Church. Police have said the white 22-year-old charged with their killings wanted to start a race war. The Confederate flag that Roof was seen brandishing in photos had to be removed from the Statehouse grounds, she said, and she supports sending the rebel flag in The Citadel's chapel to a museum too. But she opposes renaming buildings or monuments associated with the state's racist past. Haley, who endorsed then-candidate Marco Rubio ahead of South Carolina's primary, said she has vocally criticized Trump because ‘I know what that rhetoric can do. I saw it happen.’ She said she doesn't think people who

support Trump are racist or haters.” (Seanna Adcox, “Haley Talks Of Trump, Confederate Flag Ahead Of Anniversary,” [The Associated Press](#), 6/2/16)

In May 2016, Haley Said She Was Not Interested In Being Trump’s Vice-Presidential Nominee. S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley ruled out being Donald Trump’s running mate Wednesday as the New York billionaire’s path to the GOP presidential nomination cleared. In a statement, Haley said: ‘I have great respect for the will of the people, and as I have always said, I will support the Republican nominee for president.’ ‘To the members of the press who are asking, while I am flattered to be mentioned and proud of what that says about the great things going on in South Carolina, my plate is full and I am not interested in serving as vice president.’” (Jamie Self, “SC’s Haley ‘Not Interested In Being Trump’s Vice President,” [The State \[Columbia South Carolina\]](#), 5/4/16)

In March 2016, Haley Said That She Hoped Senator Ted Cruz Could Win The Presidential Nomination. “On Wednesday, South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley, an outspoken Trump critic who had endorsed Rubio, threw her support to Cruz, saying she was praying that that the Texas senator “can pull through this.” Yet that same day, Florida Gov. Rick Scott wrote a Facebook post in which he urged Republicans to rally around Trump, saying it was time for the party to begin preparing for the general election.” (Alex Isenstadt “Anti Trump Forces Contemplate The End,” [Politico](#), 3/18/16)

In March 2016, Trump Criticized Gov. Haley On Twitter. “Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump and his campaign have taken to Twitter to criticize S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley, who is supporting Sen. Marco Rubio in the primary. Haley has been campaigning with Rubio and has urged Trump to release his tax returns. In her State of the Union response, she had warned Republicans to resist ‘the siren call of the angriest voices,’ a line seen as a swipe at Trump, who won last Saturday’s South Carolina Republican primary. But she also said ‘there is more than enough blame to go around’ in Washington.” (“Nikki Haley Responds To Donald Trump Criticism ‘Bless Your Heart,” [Charlotte Observer](#) 3/1/16)

- **Trump Tweeted That The “People Of South Carolina Are Embarrassed By Nikki Haley.”** “Trump retweeted his campaign manager calling Haley a ‘liability for Rubio’ because of her earlier view on releasing tax returns. Trump later tweeted: “The people of South Carolina are embarrassed by Nikki Haley.” (“Nikki Haley Responds To Donald Trump Criticism ‘Bless Your Heart,” [Charlotte Observer](#) 3/1/16)
- **In Response, Haley Tweeted, “Bless Your Heart” To Trump.** “In response, Haley tweeted: ‘@realDonaldTrump, Bless your heart.’” (“Nikki Haley Responds To Donald Trump Criticism ‘Bless Your Heart,” [Charlotte Observer](#) 3/1/16)



In February 2016, Haley Endorsed Marco Rubio For President. “South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley endorsed Sen. Marco Rubio for president on Wednesday a major boost for the Florida senator just

days before the state's crucial primary." (Alex Isenstadt and Mike Zapler, "South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley Endorses Marco Rubio," [Politico](#), 2/17/16)

In February 2016, Haley Said That She Couldn't Understand Christie Supporting Trump And That Trump Is What We Teach Our Kids Not To Be "South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley doesn't understand why her New Jersey counterpart Chris Christie endorsed his former rival for the Republican presidential nomination, Donald Trump. 'Chris is a dear friend, but none of us understand why he did this,' Haley said Sunday in an exclusive interview on ABC's 'This Week.' 'What I will tell you is Donald Trump can't beat Hillary Clinton'... Haley said Trump is everything 'we teach our kids not to do in kindergarten.'" (Andrea Gonzales, "South Carolina Gov Nikki Haley Doesn't Understand Why Chris Christie Endorsed Donald Trump," [ABC News](#), 2/28/16)

In January 2016, During The Republican Response To President Obama's State Of The Union, Gov. Haley Referenced Trump And Said We Must "Resist" The Temptation "To Follow The Siren Call Of The Angriest Voices." "During anxious times, it can be tempting to follow the siren call of the angriest voices,' Haley, referring to Trump's remarks on immigration and proposed ban on Muslims entering the country, said during the address. 'We must resist that temptation. No one who is willing to work hard, abide by our laws, and love our traditions should ever feel unwelcome in this country.' She followed that speech up by taking her criticism of Trump to morning television the following day. Haley ended up backing Senator Marco Rubio of Florida prior to his presidential campaign eventually flaming out as Trump continued his march to the nomination." ("Donald Trump Meeting With Old Nemesis Nikki Haley About Cabinet Positions," [The New York Times](#) 11/17/16)

In January 2016, Haley Said That Trump Had Contributed To "Irresponsible Talk" Across The Country. "South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley said Wednesday that GOP presidential front-runner Donald Trump has 'definitely' contributed to what she called 'irresponsible talk' in the wake of her State of the Union response in which she warned against following the 'angriest voices' in anxious times. 'He was one, there's other people in the media, there's people in my state,' Ms. Haley said on NBC's 'Today' program. 'I think we're seeing it across the country, but yes, Mr. Trump has definitely contributed to what I think is just irresponsible talk.'" (David Sherfinski, "Nikki Haley Donald Trump Has 'Definitely' Contributed To 'Irresponsible' Talk," [The Washington Times](#) 1/13/16)

In December 2015, Haley Denounced Trump's Proposed Muslim Ban, Calling It "Absolutely Un-American," "Unconstitutional," And "Just Wrong." "South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley (R) has denounced Republican presidential front-runner Donald Trump's proposal to ban Muslims from entering the United States. 'It defies everything that this country was based on and it's just wrong,' Haley told reporters in Columbia, S.C., on Tuesday, calling Trump's remarks 'absolutely un-American' and 'unconstitutional.' Haley made the comment in a video posted to Twitter by her communications director a day after Trump held a campaign rally at the USS Yorktown in Mount Pleasant, S.C." (Jesse Byrnes, "Nikki Haley Denounces Trump's Muslim Ban Idea," [The Hill](#), 12/9/15)

During A September 2015 Appearance At The National Press Club, Gov. Haley Said That Responding To Every Political Attack Is "Not What We Do" As Republicans. "Nobody ever mistook that for Trump's motto. And Haley, although kinder than she needed to be, visited Washington on Wednesday with some sharp words for the man who has become the party's standard-bearer. 'Every time someone criticizes him, he goes and makes a political attack back,' Haley said when asked about Trump during an appearance at the National Press Club. 'That's not who we are as Republicans. That's not what we do.'" (Dana Milbank, "Nikki Haley Takes On Donald Trump," [The Washington Post](#), 9/2/15)

- **Gov. Haley Continued That Americans "Want To Know They're Sending Someone To The White House That's Going To Be Calm And Cool-Tempered."** "Americans, Haley said, 'want to know they're sending someone up to the White House that's going to be calm and cool-tempered

and not get mad at someone just because they criticize him. We would really have a world war if that happens.” (Dana Milbank, “Nikki Haley Takes On Donald Trump,” [The Washington Post](#), 9/2/15)

- **Gov. Haley Also Said That “Republicans Need To Remember That The Fabric Of America Came From These Legal Immigrants,” And That “We Don’t Need To Attack So Many Millions Of People Who Came Here.”** “She also had advice for Trump on his immigration stance, which includes ending birthright citizenship and building a wall along the Mexican border. ‘Republicans need to remember that the fabric of America came from these legal immigrants,’ she said. ‘If you want to talk about tackling illegal immigration, then let’s talk about it, but we don’t need to attack so many millions of people who came here . . . and did it the right way, like my parents.’ (Dana Milbank, “Nikki Haley Takes On Donald Trump,” [The Washington Post](#), 9/2/15)

Pro-Trump Comments

In November 2016, Haley Issued A Press Release Congratulating President-Elect Donald Trump On His Win, Calling His Election An “Opportunity.” “We congratulate President-elect Donald Trump on his historic victory. After a hard-fought campaign, where we have seen great passion and frustration among voters, the people have spoken. This is an opportunity for the country to unite and work together, and, as governor of South Carolina, I will partner with our new president to move our state and nation forward.” (Nikki Haley, “Gov. Nikki Haley Congratulates President elect Donald Trump,” [South Carolina Office Of The Governor Nikki R. Haley](#), 11/9/16)

In July 2016, Haley Indicated At The Republican National Convention That She Would Vote For Trump. “Asked again Wednesday if her non-response was a non-endorsement, Haley replied: ‘I wouldn’t be here if I didn’t want to make sure that Hillary was not going to be the next president.’ ‘Are you going to vote for him?’ ‘Of course,’ Haley said, making her first albeit tepid endorsement of Trump since the campaign started.” (Hasani Gittens, “S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley Endorses Trump, Kind Of,” [NBC News](#), 7/20/16)

In February 2016, Haley Said That She Would Support The Nominee Even If It Was Trump. “Despite backing Marco Rubio for the Republican nomination, South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley says she would support Donald Trump if he emerges as her party’s nominee. ‘We’ve said that we would support the nominee if they get the nomination,’ Haley said, according to a report Thursday from the NBC affiliate in Greenville, South Carolina.” (Nick Gass, “Haley I’ll Support Trump If It Comes To That,” [Politico](#), 2/26/16)

Pence

When Trump Announced Gov. Pence As His Running Mate In July 2016, Gov. Haley Issued A Statement Praising Trump’s Selection. “SC Governor Nikki Haley has issued a statement on Trump’s Twitter announcement of his Vice Presidential running mate choice. Presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump has announced Indiana governor Mike Pence as his running mate. Governor Haley has been a supporter of this decision since rumors surfaced of Trump’s potential Vice Presidential running mate choices. ‘Mike Pence is a friend, but more than that, he is a strong conservative reformer who has delivered results for the people of Indiana,’ said Haley. ‘Washington is broken, but we don’t have to look any further than leaders like Mike Pence for the solutions to fix it.’” (Rachel Cumberbatch, “Gov. Nikki Haley Releases Statement On Trump’s VP Pick,” [Fox Carolina](#), 7/15/16)

In 2010, Then Indiana Rep. Mike Pence And Then Governor-Elect Haley Were “Set To Headline” A High-Dollar Fundraiser In South Carolina. “Indiana Rep. Mike Pence is set to headline a high-dollar fundraiser in South Carolina with Gov.-elect Nikki Haley. Pence, who’s weighing a White House bid, will appear at the Wednesday night fundraiser for the South Carolina Republican Party in Columbia, a source close to the state party told POLITICO. The event, hosted by the Business Roundtable, will cost attendees \$5,000. Tickets to a reception after the fundraiser will cost \$1,000 per couple, the source said.” (Kasie Hunt, “Pence Back To S.C. For Fundraiser,” [Politico](#), 12/13/10)

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- **The Ethics Committee Decided Haley’s Activities Were Not Lobbying, But Instead Advocating For A Hospital In Her District.** “Ethics Committee members decided Haley’s activities were not lobbying. Instead, they said she was advocating for a hospital in her district a practice common among lawmakers. ‘We discussed whether it was above and beyond anything any of us would do in that situation to help out our district,’ said state Rep. Joan Brady, R-Richland. ‘We decided it was appropriate.’” (Gina Smith, “Haley Cleared Of Illegal Lobbying,” [The State](#), 5/3/12)

Haley Was Criticized For A Lack Of Diversity In Her Gubernatorial Cabinet

After Being Elected In 2010, Haley Only Appointed One African American In Her Cabinet As Governor. “Gov. Nikki Haley today nominated Duane Parrish, president of Charleston's Premier Hospitality Group, to lead the state Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Parrish's first priority, Haley said, would be to find a corporate sponsor for the Heritage golf tournament, a PGA Tour event held annually in Hilton Head, as opposed to seeking local or state money to support the event. Parrish's appointment rounds out Haley's cabinet appointments. But those appointments also have raised the ire of members of the Legislative Black Caucus. About a dozen caucus members met behind closed doors today with Haley to express concerns about the lack of racial diversity in her cabinet appointments. ‘The only African-American is for (the Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services) and she (Haley) wants to merge that agency with another,’ said state Rep. Leon Howard, D-Richland and a member of the Black Caucus. Howard said his concerns go beyond Haley's cabinet appointments. ‘I went back (into the governor's office today) and all I did was shake white people's hands. That's offensive,’ he said. Haley said her meeting with the Black Caucus was productive, adding she asked its members to bring qualified candidates to her attention as she appoints members to boards and commissions. ‘It's an issue that I share, and we had a great dialogue on it and we look forward to working on it,’ she said.” (Gina Smith, Haley Completes Cabinet Diversity Questioned,” [The State](#), 1/27/11)

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Nikki Haley Accepted Personal Blame For The Cyber-Attack That Leaked Social Security And Bank Account Numbers Of Millions Of South Carolinians. "South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley on Wednesday for the first time accepted personal blame for a massive cyber-attack that stole the Social Security and bank account numbers of millions of South Carolinians, saying she should have done more to ensure the data's security." (James Rosen, "S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley Takes Blame For State s Data Breach," [McClatchy DC](#), 11/28/12)

The Hack Lasted Nearly Two months And Resulted In The Theft Of 3.8 Million State Residents' Tax Returns And 700,000 Businesses Going Back To 1998. "Haley briefed the state's congressional delegation on the almost two-months-long hacking into South Carolina Department of Revenue computer servers by digital thieves, who pilfered the tax returns of 3.8 million state residents and 700,000 businesses going back to 1998, gaining access to the Social Security numbers and bank accounts of the taxpayers and 1.9 million of their dependents." (James Rosen, "S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley Takes Blame For State s Data Breach," [McClatchy DC](#), 11/28/12)

Haley Blamed The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) But Also Accepted Blame For The Hack. "Haley faulted the Internal Revenue Service for failing to make clear that compliance with the giant tax agency's rules doesn't include encryption a method of storing data that protects it from long-distance ID theft but she acknowledged that as the state's top executive officer, it was her responsibility to know that. 'I ultimately am saying that South Carolina is at fault for not doing this,' Haley said. 'I should have asked the extra question. I should have said, 'Does this include encryption?'" (James Rosen, "S.C. Gov. Nikki Haley Takes Blame For State s Data Breach," [McClatchy DC](#), 11/28/12)

Criminal Filings

No Records Found. (Nexis, Accessed 11/22/2016)

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CONTROVERSIAL POLICY STANCES/STATEMENTS

Confederate Flag Controversy

Following The Mass Shooting At A Historically Black Church By A White Gunman Who Has Been Seen With A Confederate Flag, South Carolina Lawmakers Sought To Remove The Battle Flag From The S.C. Statehouse. "Pinckney, pastor of Charleston's Emanuel AME church, was killed along with eight others at the historic black church last week by a white gunman shown holding a Confederate flag on racist websites, Dylann Roof, 21, of Eastover. Since the mass killing, the state has been under fire for flying the Confederate battle flag at the monument on Statehouse grounds. On Tuesday, lawmakers voted to allow discussion of removing the Confederate battle flag during a special session, although it is unlikely

that will occur until next week at the earliest.” (Cynthia Roldnan, “Haley Says She Won’t Violate Law By Temporarily Removing Confederate Flag,” [The Post And Courier](#), 6/23/15)

Although Haley Called For An Immediate Removal Of The Confederate Flag, Haley Was Unable To Do So Herself, Citing State Law. “Gov. Nikki Haley said she still wants to see the flag removed permanently, but doesn’t want to break the law by claiming it’s down for repairs, said Haley’s spokeswoman Chaney Adams. ‘Based on the 2000 law, (Haley) does not have the authority to remove the flag herself, today or any day, and rather than violate that law, she will continue to work to change it,’ Adams said.” (Cynthia Roldnan, “Haley Says She Won’t Violate Law By Temporarily Removing Confederate Flag,” [The Post And Courier](#), 6/23/15)

- **The State Law Requires A Two-Thirds Vote From Both Chambers Of The General Assembly To Tamper With Statehouse Monuments.** “Haley does not have the authority to remove the flag from the grounds. A two-thirds vote by both chambers of the General Assembly is needed to tamper with any of the monuments that are part of the Statehouse complex. That includes the battle flag, which flies as part of the Confederate Soldier Monument that commemorates those who died during the Civil War.” (Cynthia Roldnan, “Haley Says She Won’t Violate Law By Temporarily Removing Confederate Flag,” [The Post And Courier](#), 6/23/15)

Shortly After Haley’s Request For The Legislature To Take Up The Issue, A Bill Passed Allowing The Flag To Come Down. “The Confederate flag on South Carolina’s statehouse grounds came down during a Friday morning ceremony, ending its 54-year presence at the Capitol...The flag will be placed in a museum. Officials also said the flag should come down, including Gov. Nikki Haley (R), who asked the legislature to take up the issue. Lawmakers passed a bill this week to remove the flag. (Stephanie McCrummen and Elahe Izadi, “Confederate Flag Comes Down On South Carolina’s Statehouse Grounds,” [The Washington Post](#), 7/10/15)

Haley “Took A Public Stand Against Resettling Syrian Refugees” In Her State

Haley “Took A Public Stand Against Resettling Syrian Refugees In South Carolina.” “As the youngest governor in the US and only the second Indian-American to serve at the helm of a US state, she has been characterised as a rising star within the Republican Party. She took a public stand against resettling Syrian refugees in South Carolina and also opposed President Barack Obama’s signature health care law.” (“Nikki Haley The Former Trump Critic Considered For Cabinet,” [BBC](#), 11/1/7/16)

Haley Has Cited Her Concerns With Vetting As The Reason For Not Wanting Syrian Refugees Settling In South Carolina. “In response to the lawsuit, the governor’s staff referred to a letter she wrote to Secretary of State John Kerry in the aftermath of the Paris terrorist attacks last November in which she asked that no Syrian refugees be allowed to resettle in South Carolina, ‘until I can be assured that all potential refugees from Syria have no ties to terrorist organizations.’” (“Nikki Haley The Former Trump Critic Considered For Cabinet,” [BBC](#), 11/1/7/16)

Haley Said That A Transgender Bathroom Law, Similar To North Carolina’s, Was Not Needed In Her State

North Carolina Passed A Law Prohibiting Transgender People From Using Bathrooms That Don’t Match The Gender On Their Birth Certificates. “While North Carolina faces a mounting backlash over a law prohibiting transgender people from using bathrooms that don’t match the gender on their birth certificates, the governor of its neighbor to the south says her state doesn’t need such a law.” (Mark Berman, “South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley Says Her State Doesn’t Need Transgender Bathroom Law,” [The Washington Post](#), 4/7/16)

Nikki Haley (R-SC) Said That South Carolina Didn’t Need A Similar Law Because She Didn’t “Believe It’s Necessary” Because There Aren’t Complaints In Her State. “However, Gov. Nikki Haley (R) said Thursday that there had been no complaints that would suggest such a bill is needed. ‘I don’t believe it’s necessary,’ Haley, who has been touted as a possible vice presidential candidate, told

reporters Thursday.” (Mark Berman, “South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley Says Her State Doesn’t Need Transgender Bathroom Law,” [The Washington Post](#), 4/7/16)

Haley Supports Birthright Citizenship

In 2015, Haley Said She Believes Birthright Citizenship “Has Served Our Country Very Well And Should Continue For Those Who Enter Our Country Legally.” ““The governor believes the nearly 150-year old constitutional guarantee of citizenship to children born in America has served our country very well and should continue for those who enter our country legally,’ Haley press secretary Chaney Adams said. ‘While she appreciates discussion of the issue of birthright citizenship, she believes it’s one that distracts from the serious problem Washington politicians, including members of Congress and presidents, have for years failed to address, and that’s illegal immigration. Once we get illegal immigration under control, the citizenship question will be a non-issue, as it was for most of the last 150 years.’” (Andrew Shain, “The Buzz Gov. Haley Balances 2016 Immigration Tightrope,” [The State](#), 8/26/15)

Haley Signed Into Law A 20-Week Abortion Ban

In 2016, Haley Signed A Law Banning Abortion In South Carolina At 20 Weeks, With The Exception Being When The Fetus Will Die Or The Health Of The Mother Is Threatened. “Gov. Nikki Haley held a ceremonial signing ceremony for a recently-passed law that would ban abortions at 20 weeks, which bill sponsor Rep. Wendy Nanney said was just the first step in the effort to chip away and eventually overturn abortion rights in South Carolina. ‘We are at 20 weeks and we’re going to keep pushing,’ Nanney said at the ceremony held at Hidden Treasure Christian School, a religious school for children with intellectual and physical disabilities. The law bans all abortions at 20 weeks or later and makes no exceptions for rape or incest. The only case in which an abortion can occur past 19 weeks in South Carolina is when the fetus will die or the health of the mother is threatened. Doctors who violate this law could be jailed. The law, called the S.C. Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, is based on the claim that fetuses can feel pain as early as 20 weeks. That claim is a ‘complicated and controversial topic in science’ that has yet to be definitively proven or disproven, according to FactCheck.org, a non-partisan research group run by the Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania.” (Amanda Coyne, “Haley Holds Ceremony, Signs 20 Week Abortion Ban Bill At Christian School,” [The State](#), 6/9/16)

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Haley Has Said She Does Not Believe In Amnesty For Illegal Immigrants

In January 2016, Haley Took A Shot At Marco Rubio, Saying “Rubio Believes In Amnesty, Which I Don’t.” “A day after Haley indirectly criticized Donald Trump in her response to President Obama’s State of the Union speech, Haley explained Wednesday that it’s not just Trump -- there are other areas where she doesn’t see eye to eye with other Republican candidates. ‘I have disagreements with other presidential candidates,’ said Haley, later adding, ‘Marco Rubio believes in amnesty, which I don’t. There’s

lots of things.” (Sean Sullivan, “Nikki Haley Says Marco Rubio ‘Believes In Amnesty, Then Walks It Back, Complicating His South Carolina Campaign,” [The Washington Post](#) 1/13/16)

Haley Signed Into Law A Bill To Combat The Boycott, Divestment And Sanctions (BDS) Movement

Haley Signed Into Law In South Carolina A Bill “To Stop Efforts To Boycott, Divest And Sanction Israel.” “South Carolina’s governor has signed into law a bill to stop efforts to boycott, divest and sanction Israel on Thursday afternoon, in a first for the nation on a statewide level.” (Michael Wilner, “South Carolina Becomes First US State To Take Action Against Anti Israel Boycotts,” [Jerusalem Post](#), 6/5/15)

Haley Believes The Boycott, Divestment And Sanctions Movement Discriminates Against The People Of Israel And Weakens The Economy Of South Carolina. “The premise of the law is that the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement, colloquially known as BDS, discriminates against the people of Israel and weakens the economy of South Carolina. ‘Boycott,’ for the purposes of the law, is defined as the effort by companies to ‘blacklist, divest from or otherwise refuse to deal with a person or firm when the action is based on race, color, religion, gender or national origin of the targeted person or entity,’ according to the text. Companies also must agree not to engage in boycott activities going forward.” (Michael Wilner, “South Carolina Becomes First US State To Take Action Against Anti Israel Boycotts,” [Jerusalem Post](#), 6/5/15)

South Carolina Was The First State In America To Adopt Such A Measure As Law. “While South Carolina is the first state to adopt such a measure as law, several others are close behind: Illinois lawmakers passed similar legislation last month, also with unanimous support from state representatives.” (Michael Wilner, “South Carolina Becomes First US State To Take Action Against Anti Israel Boycotts,” [Jerusalem Post](#), 6/5/15)

Haley Opposed A Federal Lawsuit To Overturn South Carolina’s Ban On Gay Marriage, Saying She Was Doing Her “Job To Uphold The Constitution”

Haley Said She Was Upholding The Constitution In Her Opposition To A Federal Lawsuit Seeking To Overturn South Carolina’s State Amendment Banning Gay Marriage. “Gov. Nikki Haley said she is doing ‘my job to uphold the constitution’ by opposing a federal lawsuit that seeks to overturn the state’s constitutional amendment banning gay marriage. ‘The citizens of South Carolina spoke ... they spoke something that I, too, believe, which is marriage should be between a man and a woman,’ Haley told reporters after speaking at an event sponsored by the S.C. Chamber of Commerce in the Isle of Palms. “I’m going to stand by the people of this state, stand by the constitution, I’m going to support it and fight for it every step of the way.” (Adam Beam, “POLITICS Nikki Haley Says Defending Gay Marriage Ban Is Her Constitutional Duty,” [The State](#), 11/15/13)

Haley Signed Into Law A Bill Requiring Police To Check The Immigration Status Of Individuals They Stop Or Arrest

In 2011, Haley Signed A Bill That Requires Police To Check Immigration Status Of Any Individuals They Stop Or Arrest. “South Carolina Republican Governor Nikki Haley on Monday signed into law a bill that requires police to check the immigration status of anyone they stop or arrest for another reason and suspect may be in the country illegally.” (“South Carolina Governor Signs Immigration Bill Into Law,” [Reuters](#) 6/27/11)

- **The Law Was Dropped In 2014 As A Result Of A Settlement Between The State And Groups That Filed A Lawsuit Against The Law.** “South Carolina became the latest state to soften its crackdown on undocumented immigrants when state officials on Monday agreed to a settlement with groups that filed a lawsuit. The state accepted an opinion by South Carolina Solicitor General Robert D. Cook that found that state and local police could not extend regular traffic stops so officers could determine the immigration status of suspects. The state’s law, known as S.B. 20,

allows officers to check the immigration status of people if a "reasonable suspicion" exists that they're in the country illegally." (Alan Gomez, "South Carolina Puts Breaks On Immigration Law," [USA Today](#), 3/3/14)

With Haley As Governor, South Carolina Joined A Lawsuit Against Obama's Executive Immigration Actions

In 2014, South Carolina Was The 17th State To Join Texas In Its Lawsuit Against Obama's Executive Order Shielding As Many As 5 Million Illegal Immigrants From Deportation. "South Carolina will join a 17-state coalition in a lawsuit against the Obama administration in response to the president's executive actions on immigration, Gov. Nikki Haley announced Wednesday. The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Texas, names the heads of the top immigration enforcement agencies as defendants. The lawsuit alleges that the president violated the Constitution when he announced executive actions that would spare as many as 5 million people living illegally in the United States from deportation." (Carla Field, "Gov. Nikki Haley South Carolina Joins Immigration Lawsuit," [NBC's WYFF4](#), 12/4/14)

Haley Blocked South Carolina From Expanding Medicaid Under Obamacare

Haley Opposed Expanding Medicaid Under Obamacare. "Not in South Carolina,' Gov. Nikki Haley declared at the recent Conservative Political Action Conference. 'We will not expand Medicaid on President Obama's watch. We will not expand Medicaid ever.' Widening Medicaid insurance rolls, a joint federal-state program for low-income Americans, is an anchor of the law Obama signed in 2010." ("Gov. Nikki Haley We Will Not Expand Medicaid On President Obama's Watch," [The Associated Press](#) 3/30/13)

In 2013, The State Rejected The Expansion, Although Officials Forecasted A 16 Percent Increase In Enrollment. "Like half the states, South Carolina chose not to expand Medicaid under the federal health law next year, citing the program's high costs and inefficiency. Yet state officials still forecast a 16 percent enrollment jump by the end of June, 2015, triple that of a typical year and even higher than the 12 percent average increase expected in states that are expanding eligibility." (Phil Galewitz, "South Carolina Rejected Medicaid Expansion, But Numbers Will Still Go Up," [Reuters](#) 11/26/13)

Haley Was Criticized For Her Opposition Due To The State's 20 Percent Poverty Rate. "Her rabid declaration that she'll never expand Medicaid in South Carolina makes me wonder if she actually gives a damn about anyone in her own state other than her donors? While the RGA was releasing this attack ad on Sheheen, Haley was next door in Georgia again raising money for her re-elect. I don't begrudge her ability to raise money but I do have a problem with her politicization of that fundraiser at the expense of South Carolina's ports and people. And so this is my problem with Nikki Haley: I don't think she actually has a clue about the impacts her decisions have on her own constituents. She stands by Chris Christie while my home state of South Carolina has a poverty rate of nearly 20 percent and a child poverty rate of nearly 30 percent." (Jimmy Williams, Op Ed, "The Clueless Nikki Haley," [U.S. News & World Report](#) 3/4/14)

Renewable Energy

As Governor, Haley Signed A Bill Loosening Restrictions On Solar Energy. "Standing under an array of solar panels outside a Columbia outfitters store Wednesday, Gov. Nikki Haley praised South Carolina's recent efforts to make power from the sun easier for businesses, utilities and homeowners to use. Then, she signed a bill loosening restrictions on solar energy that for years have made South Carolina one of the least friendly states in the country for sun power." (Sammy Fretwell, "Haley Signs Bill To Ease Restriction On Solar Energy," [The State](#), 9/6/14)

Haley Has Praised South Carolina's Efforts To Make Solar Energy More Accessible. "Standing under an array of solar panels outside a Columbia outfitters store Wednesday, Gov. Nikki Haley praised South Carolina's recent efforts to make power from the sun easier for businesses, utilities and homeowners to use." (Sammy Fretwell, "Haley Signs Bill To Ease Restriction On Solar Energy," [The State](#), 9/6/14)

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

Political Affiliation

According To GOP Data Center, Nikki R. Haley Is Listed As A Registered Unaffiliated Voter In Lexington County, SC. According To Nexis, Haley (Nimrata N. Randhawa) Is Listed As A Registered Voter In Lexington County, SC. ([GOP Data Center](#) Accessed 11/22/16 Nexis, Accessed 11/22/16)

VOTER INFO		
<u>Registration Status</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	
Registered	3/7/2001	
<u>Official Party</u>	<u>Observed Party</u>	<u>Calculated Party</u>
Unaffiliated	N/A	1 - Hard Republican
<u>Absentee Status</u>	<u>Primary Absentee</u>	<u>General Absentee</u>
No Data Provided	No Data Provided	No Data Provided
<u>State Reported Ethnicity</u>	<u>Modeled Ethnicity</u>	<u>Observed Ethnicity</u>
White / Caucasian	White / Caucasian	No Data Provided

Voter Registrations - 1 records found

1: South Carolina Voter Registration	
Name:	RANDHAWA, NIMRATA N
Residential Address:	[REDACTED]
SSN:	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth:	1/1972
Gender:	Female
Registration Date:	3/7/2001
Active Status:	ACTIVE

DONATIONS

Republican Donations

In 2006, Haley Donated \$500 To Ralph Norman, A Republican State Legislator From South Carolina. ([Opensecrets](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

Contributor	Occupation	Date	Amount	Recipient
HALEY, NIKKI REP [REDACTED]	STATE LEGISLATOR	2/27/06	\$500	Norman, Ralph (R)

Democrat Donations

No Records Found. (Center For Responsive Politics, Accessed 11/22/16)

BUSINESSES/ASSOCIATIONS

Lobbying

No Records Found. (Center For Responsive Politics, Accessed 11/22/16 South Carolina State Ethics Commission, Accessed 11/22/16)

Search Results

No lobbying income or spending found.



The screenshot shows the South Carolina State Ethics Commission website. The header includes the state seal and the text "SOUTH CAROLINA State Ethics Commission Public Disclosure and Accountability Reporting System". A navigation menu on the left lists "Public Disclosure" (with sub-items: Individual Reports, Contributions, Expenditures, Lobbying Activity), "SC State Ethics Commission", and "Contact Us". The main content area shows "Public Disclosure > Lobbying Activity" and "List Reports Lobbyist Contact Information". A message box states "***No Records Found.***". A "Back" button is visible on the right.

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Bankruptcy

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Liens

No Records Found. (Lexis, Accessed 11/22/16)

Judgments/Liens - 0 records found

UCC Liens - 0 records found

Exotica International

Haley Worked For Her Family's Clothing Business Exotica International As Chief Financial Officer.

"From early on, Ms. Haley was involved in her family's clothing business Exotica International, which

sells gowns, suits and jewelry taking over the bookkeeping at age 13. Her father, Ajit Randhawa, was a biology professor at Voorhees College in nearby Denmark, S.C.; her mother, Raj, started Exotica as a gift shop. Before she ran for office, Ms. Haley got an accounting degree at Clemson University, where she met Mr. Haley. She worked for FCR, a waste management and recycling company, and then returned to Exotica as chief financial officer and helped the company grow into a multimillion-dollar business.” (Shaila Dewan and Robbie Brown, “All Her Life, Nikki Haley Was The Different One,” [The New York Times](#), 6/13/10)

Exotica International Was Penalized Three Times For Not Paying Taxes. “On the campaign trail, state GOP gubernatorial candidate Nikki Haley frequently cites her experience as the accountant for her family's clothing store, saying she oversaw its growth to a multimillion dollar operation, and the state needs such skills. But records obtained by The Associated Press show the family company has been penalized three times since 2003 for not paying taxes. In each case, the taxes were at least 19 months past due.” (Seanna Adcox, “Haley Business Was Penalized,” [Associated Press](#), 9/9/10)

- **“Two Of The Tax Liens Were For Failing To Pay Corporate Income Taxes And One Was For Not Turning Over Taxes Withheld From Employee Checks.”** (Seanna Adcox, “Haley Business Was Penalized,” [Associated Press](#), 9/9/10)
- **“Credit Records On The Business Show It Frequently Pays Operating Bills More Than A Month Late...”** (Seanna Adcox, “Haley Business Was Penalized,” [Associated Press](#), 9/9/10)

Exotica International Closed In May Of 2008. “After 32 years of offering upscale fashion to customers from across the country, Exotica International Inc. will close its doors on May 31.” (“Exotica founders closing store, plan retirement,” [The Times And Democrat](#), 4/20/08)

Wilbur Smith Associates

While In The State Legislature, Nikki Haley Earned More Than \$40,000 In 2007 And 2008 For Consulting Work Done For South Carolina Engineering Firm Wilbur Smith Associates. “Republican gubernatorial candidate Nikki Haley earned more than \$40,000 in 2007 and 2008 consulting for one of South Carolina's largest engineering firms, according to tax records from those years released by her campaign on Monday.” (Peter Hamby, “Haley Earned \$42,500 For Consulting Work While In Legislature,” [CNN](#) 6/21/10)

The Consulting Fees Were Revealed During Her Run For Governor When She Released Tax Forms That Showed \$2,000 From Wilbur Smith That She Had Not Previously Disclosed. “Haley's work for the firm, Wilbur Smith Associates, was first revealed last week when the campaign allowed reporters to view her 2009 tax records. The records showed that Haley collected \$2,000 from the company, money she did not disclose on state ethics filings.” (Peter Hamby, “Haley Earned \$42,500 For Consulting Work While In Legislature,” [CNN](#) 6/21/10)

Lexington Medical Center

Haley Worked In A Fundraising Capacity For Lexington Medical Center Specifically Created For Her, Which Brought Her More Than \$100,000 A Year. “Then, the foundation arm of Lexington Medical Center, which State Rep. Haley had supported in its fight to open a heart surgery center, came to Haley's financial rescue. By 2009, Haley was pulling down more than \$100,000 at a fundraising job for the Lexington Medical Center Foundation. That job was created expressly for Haley, the hospital says, despite

a resume that included only accounting positions with a Charlotte firm and with her parents' clothing company.” (John O Connor, “S.C. Hospital Created Fundraising Job For Nikki Haley,” [The State](#), 9/27/10)

- **“And She Was Paid 63 Percent More Than Fundraisers At Similarly Sized Charities...”** (John O Connor, “S.C. Hospital Created Fundraising Job For Nikki Haley,” [The State](#), 9/27/10)

Lexington Medical Center’s Fundraising Included Donations From Companies Haley Had Oversaw Through Her Role On The House Business Committee. “While Haley was at the foundation, it raised thousands of dollars from a pair of payday lending firms that Haley once oversaw on a House business subcommittee. In that legislative role, one fellow Republican once ripped Haley, saying she single-handedly had blocked efforts to regulate the payday lenders that later became large contributors to the Lexington Medical Center Foundation. Haley has campaigned for governor, in part, by saying that voters have a right to know how their elected officials make their living.” (John O Connor, “S.C. Hospital Created Fundraising Job For Nikki Haley,” [The State](#), 9/27/10)

Board Memberships

Nikki Haley Was A Member Of The Board Of Directors For The Orangeburg County Chamber Of Commerce In 1998. “Bd. of Dirs., Orangeburg Co. Chamber of Commerce, 1998” (“Representative Nikki Randhawa Haley,” [South Carolina Legislature](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

Nikki Haley Was A Member Of The Board Of Directors For The Lexington County Chamber Of Commerce From 2003-2006. “Bd. of Dirs., Lexington Co. Chamber of Commerce, 2003-06;” (“Representative Nikki Randhawa Haley,” [South Carolina Legislature](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

Nikki Haley Was A Member Of The Board Of Directors For The National Association Of Women Business Owners, As Well As Serving As Treasurer In 2003 And President In 2004. “Natl. Assoc. of Women Bus. Owners, Treas., 2003, Pres., 2004.” (“Representative Nikki Randhawa Haley,” [South Carolina Legislature](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

Haley Was A Member Of The Board Of Directors For The Lexington Medical Foundation Starting In 2004. “Lexington Med. Foundation, 2004-; mem.” (“Representative Nikki Randhawa Haley,” [South Carolina Legislature](#), Accessed 11/22/16)

Nikki Haley Was A Member Of The Board Of Directors For The Lexington Sheriff’s Foundation Starting In 2004. “Bd. of Lexington Sheriff’s Foundation, 2004-;” (“Representative Nikki Randhawa Haley,” [South Carolina Legislature](#) Accessed 11/22/16)

Nikki Haley Was A Member Of The Rotary Club Of Lexington, Serving As A Secretary From 2005 To 2006. “2005-06; Rotary Club of Lexington; Secy., Med., Mil., Public & Municipal Affairs Com.” (“Representative Nikki Randhawa Haley,” [South Carolina Legislature](#) Accessed 11/22/16)