

The Troubling Double Standard of Jason Dickerson

Million-Dollar Foundation, Pennies for the People

Jason Dickerson's family foundation looks more like a family piggy bank than a charity. While it boasts huge assets, only a trickle of that money ever reaches Georgia communities.

More Overhead Than Charity: In 2023, the Jason T. Dickerson Family Foundation spent over **\$1.7 million** on operating and administrative costs, yet only **\$270,637** went out in actual charitable grants. The foundation sits on nearly **\$39.5 million**, but barely 15% of what it spends ends up helping people. Where is the money really going?

Year	Total Fair Market Value of Assets	Operating & Administrative Expenses	Total Charitable Giving	Contributions Received
2023	\$39,455,055	\$1,773,672	\$270,637	\$9,300
2022	\$34,093,705	\$150,944	\$173,570	\$20,139,656
2021	\$10,392,602	\$161,270	\$154,163	\$2,508,300
2020	\$7,372,712	\$63,331	\$103,048	\$3,232,900
2019	\$3,157,191	\$64,424	\$12,536	\$757,100
2018	\$2,384,958	\$101,483	\$29,008	\$108,739
2017	\$2,349,314	\$56,729	\$17,321	\$733,136

Tax Liens Piling Up

While hardworking Georgians pay their taxes on time, Dickerson has a pattern of not paying his – until the government places liens on his property and business. He failed to meet his tax obligations repeatedly, showing a troubling disregard for the law and fiscal responsibility.

Personal Tax Troubles: Records show **multiple state tax liens** against Jason Dickerson over the years for unpaid taxes. In 2019, Georgia filed a lien for **\$50,566.44** in back taxes (dating to 2016) – over **\$35,000** of that was interest and penalties piled on due to late payment. That wasn't an isolated case: additional state liens for about **\$11,885** were filed against him in late 2019 and early 2020 as well. Even the **property taxes on his own home** went unpaid – his personal LLC had tax liens placed on his \$1.1 million residence *twice* (in 2020 and 2021) for failing to pay county taxes on time. (The liens were only canceled after the back taxes, interest, and penalties were paid.)

Business Tax Liens: Dickerson's company, Quest Global, also racked up tax debts. **At least four tax liens** hit Quest during his tenure as CEO, including **two federal tax liens** – one of them for **over \$610,000** in unpaid federal taxes – and a state tax lien in Georgia. This pattern of personal *and* corporate tax liens suggests a habit of neglecting basic financial obligations until legal action forces payment.

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Shady Business Track Record

Dickerson touts his business experience, but the record from Quest Global tells a cautionary tale. Under his leadership, the trucking company was marked by safety violations, lawsuits from employees, and even a retaliation claim – not exactly the record of a “job creator” who plays by the rules.

Safety & Compliance Issues: Quest Global, the trucking firm Dickerson ran until 2022, amassed a worrying safety record. Federal transportation inspections put **38** of Quest’s vehicles **out of service** for serious violations, and flagged **62** instances of unsafe driving and **19** hours-of-service infractions.

Labor Law Violations: Quest Global was sued multiple times by its own employees for failing to pay earned wages. In one case, a former employee took Quest to court for unpaid overtime from 2009–2012 – the company settled by paying about **\$12,250** in back wages and damages (plus attorneys’ fees). In another case, Quest had to pay a judgment of over **\$26,000** in unpaid overtime wages (plus nearly **\$10,000** in legal fees) to a different employee. These lawsuits, filed under federal labor law, show a pattern of Quest **shortchanging workers** until forced to pay up in court.

Retaliation and Ethics Concerns: Perhaps most disturbing, a 2020 lawsuit alleges a toxic culture at Quest Global. A longtime female employee, Melissa Colpitts, claimed she was **fired in retaliation** for refusing to drop a court-issued stalking protective order against a co-worker (who happened to be her ex-husband). She sued Quest for **\$778,000**, alleging unlawful termination and discrimination. Quest’s management sided with an accused stalker over a victimized employee. Quest Global’s business dealings were even questioned by partners: in one 2011 case, a freight company sued Quest for breaching a contract by failing to pay a **\$6,000** bill.

PPP Pandemic Payday

When COVID-19 struck, many small businesses struggled to keep the lights on. Dickerson’s company, however, secured a massive Paycheck Protection Program loan – and ended up not having to repay a dime. Taxpayers footed the bill while Quest Global benefited.

\$7 Million in Tax-Funded Loans Forgiven: In 2020, Quest Global received a **\$6.93 million** PPP loan intended to protect jobs during the pandemic. Every penny was forgiven – the government **wrote off about \$7.0 million** (including interest) on this loan. Quest claimed the money would go toward payroll. But unlike many mom-and-pop shops that struggled to get aid, Dickerson’s company walked away with a huge taxpayer-funded benefit.

Absent at the Ballot Box

MAGA Republicans show up at the polls every election – but Jason Dickerson often couldn’t be bothered. Now he’s asking for our votes, despite hardly exercising his own right to vote for decades.

Lazy Voting History: Dickerson has sat out many elections that conservatives consider critical. Since 1996, he voted in only **6 of the last 15** general elections – meaning he skipped more than half

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of the November elections over nearly 30 years. When it comes to primaries (where Republicans choose their nominees), his record is just as poor: he has **only voted in four Republican primaries ever – 2016, 2020, 2022, and 2024** – and never in any others. For someone now seeking GOP votes, his long absence from civic participation raises doubts about his commitment to the community and conservative causes.

Campaign Finance Red Flags

Transparency and honesty are pillars of conservative leadership, yet Dickerson's own campaign filings have been anything but transparent. From missed reports to missing disclosures, he's fallen short of the standards we expect from our candidates.

Late & Irregular Filings: In his last run for State Senate (2022), Dickerson repeatedly failed to file mandatory campaign finance reports on time. In fact, he was fined **\$125** not once but **five separate times** for turning in his Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports past the deadlines.

Missing Financial Disclosure: Even more concerning, **Dickerson has *never filed* the Personal Financial Disclosure** required of candidates. This disclosure is a basic accountability measure so voters can see any potential conflicts of interest or where a candidate's money comes from. By failing to disclose his finances, Dickerson keeps voters in the dark. What is he hiding? Grassroots conservatives demand accountability – if Jason Dickerson can't follow campaign finance laws or be upfront about his interests, how can we trust him with public office?

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