

**Rural Sociological Society
Filing an Ethics Report**

A **report** of a violation of ethics is different from a complaint. A **report** does not automatically initiate the process of investigation. A report may be confidential, in which case the report shall be shared strictly within the committee.

Complete the following form and include supporting documentation. Contact the current Chair of the Committee in writing to make a report.

1.a. Name of Person Initiating the Report:

1.b. Address of Initiator:

2.a. Person or Persons Named in the Report:

2.b. Addresses of Person or Persons Named in the Report:

3. The provisions of the RSS Code of Ethics alleged to have been violated:

Attach additional sheet if needed.

4. A full statement of conduct alleged to have violated the Code of Ethics, including the sources of all information on which the allegations are based (and a dating of events):

Attach additional sheet if needed.

5. List documents, if any, that support allegations (submit copies with form):

The acting Chair of the Ethics Committee shall confirm receipt of a report within 60 days of receiving it. The Chair shall provide information to the submitter about the process of and distinction between complaints and reports.