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June 12, 2019

Delivered electronically to "fuzzy653@comcast.net"

Subject: PDC Case 51097

Dear Fuzzy Fletcher:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Darrell Lambert concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted below to Darrell Lambert, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of timely registering as a candidate and filing a Personal Financial Affairs Statement within two weeks of becoming a candidate (e.g. publicly declaring candidacy). PDC staff expects that you will timely file all required reports with the PDC in the future in accordance with state laws and rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabatha Blacksmith at 360-586-8929, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov

Sincerely,

/s _____
Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s _____
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June 12, 2019

Delivered electronically to "lambert.darrell@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Fuzzy Fletcher, PDC Case 51097

Dear Darrell Lambert:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on May 9, 2019. Your complaint alleged that Fuzzy Fletcher (the "Respondent") may have violated RCW 42.17A.205 & .700 for failing to timely 1) register as a candidate by filing a C-1 report; and 2) file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report), both of which are due within two weeks of becoming a candidate (e.g. publicly declaring candidacy).

PDC staff reviewed your allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by the Respondent; and the applicable PDC reports filed by Respondent to determine whether they support a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- The Respondent is a candidate for Snoqualmie City Council.
- On April 8, 2019, the Respondent publicly announced his candidacy for council position #4 at a Snoqualmie City Council Meeting.
- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.205, candidates are required to file a Candidate Registration (C-1 report) with the PDC within two weeks of becoming a candidate. This form serves the dual purpose of registering the candidate and candidate's campaign.
- Under RCW 42.17A.700, candidates are required to file a statement of financial affairs for the preceding twelve months, which is due within two weeks of becoming a candidate.
- The Respondent did not realize that his April 8, 2019 announcement regarding his intention to run for a city council position triggered the C-1 and F-1 report registration requirements. The late reports were the result of the Respondent's erroneous belief that they were due after a candidate officially files with the appropriate Elections office.
- Upon being notified of the missing reports, the Respondent quickly reached out to the PDC and made a good faith effort to resolve the matter by filing the required forms. The PDC received the Respondent's Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) on May 14, 2019 and his Candidate Registration (C-1 report) on May 16, 2019.

- The Respondent's noncompliance was the result of a good-faith error or omission, the impact to the public was minimal, the oversight did not occur during a critical election period, and the Respondent quickly took corrective action.

Based on these findings, staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely register as a candidate and file a statement of financial affairs within two weeks of becoming a candidate does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Fuzzy Fletcher about the importance of timely registering as a candidate and submitting a Personal Financial Affairs Statement with the PDC within two weeks of becoming a candidate, and timely filing all future PDC reports.

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

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cc: Fuzzy Fletcher