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August 8, 2019

Delivered electronically to "charlowmc@yahoo.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Glen Morgan, PDC Case 54826

Dear Charlie McCaughan:

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

As noted in the letter to Glen Morgan, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of timely registering as a candidate in an election campaign. PDC staff expects the timely filing of all future reports as required by statute and rule.

If you have questions, you may contact Fox Blackhorn at 1-360-753-1980 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by email at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

/s

Fox Blackhorn
Compliance Coordinator 2

/s

Barbara Sandahl
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Delivered electronically to “glen@wethegoverned.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding Charlie McCaughan, PDC Case 54826

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on July 15, 2019. The complaint alleged that Charlie McCaughan (Respondent), a 2019 candidate for Pasco City Council may have violated RCW 42.17A.205 for failure to timely file a Candidate Registration (C-1 report); and RCW 42.17A.235 for failure to timely and accurately file Monetary Contribution reports (C-3 reports) and Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports), disclosing contributions and expenditures undertaken by the Campaign.

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

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

- As a 2019 candidate for Port Angeles City Council, the Respondent was required by RCW 42.17A. to file a C-1 within two weeks of declaring candidacy, or not later than June 3, 2019.
- Technical problems with the electronic C-1 Application filing system were identified by the PDC from May 13, 2019, through June 12, 2019, which prevented or delayed filers' ability to timely file C-1, C-3, and C-4 reports during this period. Due to such circumstances, the filing requirements for the filer were suspended during this period, pursuant to RCW 42.17A.055.
- On July 16, 2019, the Respondent filed the missing C-1 report, selecting the Mini Reporting Option, 33 days beyond the statutory deadline of RCW 42.17A.205, as extended by RCW 42.17A.055.
- By selecting the Mini Reporting option, the Respondent is not required to file C-3 and C-4 reports in accordance with RCW 42.17A.235, provided they raise and spend no more than \$5,000, and receive no more than \$500 in contributions from a single source, in accordance with WAC 390-16-105.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely file the C-1 report does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Charlie McCaughan about the importance of timely registering as a candidate in an election campaign. PDC staff expects the timely filing of all future reports as required by statute and rule.

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: Charlie McCaughan