



**State of Washington  
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Delivered electronically to Glen Morgan at [glen@wethegoverned.com](mailto:glen@wethegoverned.com)

Subject: Complaint regarding Daniel Satterberg, PDC Case 54827

Dear Mr. Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on July 16, 2019. Your complaint alleged that Daniel Satterberg (respondent), an incumbent King County Prosecuting Attorney and a candidate seeking re-election to that office in 2018, may have violated RCW 42.17A.220(4) for accepting over limit anonymous contributions.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the applicable PDC reports filed by the respondent; and reviewed the respondent's data in the PDC contribution database, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

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

- On February 11, 2017, Daniel Satterberg timely filed a C-1 report declaring his candidacy for Prosecuting Attorney in King County in 2018 and selected the Full Reporting Option.
- RCW 42.17A.220(4) states in part that "accumulated unidentified contributions in excess of one percent of the total accumulated contributions received in the current calendar year, or three hundred dollars, whichever is more, may not be deposited, used, or expended, but shall be returned to the donor if his or her identity can be ascertained. If the donor cannot be ascertained, the contribution shall escheat to the state and shall be paid to the state treasurer for deposit in the state general fund."
- On its website, the PDC guidance outlines the amount of anonymous contributions a candidate may accept in a calendar year.
- The complaint alleged that in calendar year 2018, Daniel Satterberg accepted anonymous contributions in the amount of \$1,233, which is \$923 more than the allowable limit of \$300.
- Staff review of the Monetary Contribution reports (C-3 reports) and the Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports) filed by Daniel Satterberg found his campaign could only accept \$758.82 of the total \$1,223 in anonymous contribution received by his campaign.
- On September 9, 2019, the PDC received a check in the amount of \$464.18 from Daniel Satterberg for exceeding the anonymous contribution limits, that was forwarded to the Department of Enterprise Services, a state agency that processes and handles small agencies monetary collections, for deposit into the General Fund in accordance with the statute.

Based on this information, and the fact that Mr. Satterberg has escheated \$464.18 to the State of Washington, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

If you have questions, you may contact Erick Agina at 360-586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [pdcc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdc.wa.gov)

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

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Erick Agina, Compliance Officer

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BG Sandahl, Deputy Director  
For Peter Lavalley, Executive Director

cc: Daniel Satterberg

