

Lynnwoodforward replied Fri, 19 July 2019 at 11:06 PM
to: "PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

Hey there! We are a little new to this so I appreciate consolidating this into one email. It is actually exciting that we are getting attention! I have noticed that there seems to be a common misconception: we are not a PAC or an Organization. We are a slate of individual candidates, two of which are actually facing against one another in a Primary!

For our website, we each were billed separately, and have each paid our web designer his invoice by check from our individual, separate campaign bank accounts. Our individual candidate pages each ask for donations for that specific candidate, just like any other campaign website. There is no joint fund, account, or need for a treasurer to my understanding, because there is no organization or anything to manage. It is simply cost-sharing. Our Facebook Page is run under myself (Nicholas Coelho) and clearly says so in the Candidate portion of the page. Please let us know if anything needs to actually be done, otherwise I have answers below.

One at a time:

Allegation 1 was in regards to hyper-links used for our endorsements that linked to government websites. The other candidates and I actually knew this was a no-no, but our website designer made an honest mistake in assuming it would be helpful and was not aware of the rules. The moment I was made aware of the violations, I told him to stop the hyper-links and they are now deactivated. This should no longer be an issue and should be resolved to the best of my knowledge.

Allegation 2 assumes Lynnwood Forward is a PAC when it is not. All campaign accounts are distinctly separate, and all expenditures by campaigns have been for separate invoices. We share a website, for cost-sharing purposes, as we are running on a similar platform. If there is something else that I or any of the other candidates need to do to resolve anything else related to this complaint, please let me know as I am unsure what to do next.

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I hope this helps to clear things up. Please let me know so I understand how to proceed.

Cheers,

Nick Coelho