

File a Formal Complaint - Michele Levenite

mlevenit@msn.com reported (7 Jul 2019):

Lisa Thomas indicated on March 6, 2019 that she was running for Richland City Council. She did not file with the PDC until May 30, 2019. This violation is being handled within Case 51796, which was opened May 24, 2019. This case has not been resolved to date.

Lisa Thomas did not file her F1 until June 7, 2019. This is a violation of not filing within 2 weeks of announcing candidacy.

Lisa Thomas indicated on her F1 that she was employed and that she receives spousal/child support. She also indicates that she receives dividends from one company.

In campaign materials, Lisa Thomas indicates that she is a stakeholder in 3 small businesses. Her F1 filing does not list these businesses.

Lisa Thomas filed with the Secretary of State on May 16, 2019 for the position of City of Richland City Council position. At that time she had to pay a filing fee.

The C4 filed for May did not show an expense for the filing fee.

mlevenit@msn.com reported (9 Jul 2019):

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mlevenit@msn.com replied Mon, 8 July 2019 at 6:08AM
to: "PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

Hello,

I need to add more RCW links to the complaint on Lisa Thomas

RCW 42.17A.235
RCW 42.17A.710

Thank you,

Michele Levenite

mlevenit@msn.com reported via the portal Tues, 9 July , 2019 at 5:19AM

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mlevenit@msn.com reported via the portal Tues, 30 July 2019 at 3:10PM

The candidate has distributed campaign signs throughout the area. The candidate did not disclose the number of signs purchased. Noting the number of signs distributed, the candidate may be under reporting the cost of the signage.

The candidate has reported the cost of business cards and literature but has not disclosed the number of pieces purchased.

The candidate has purchased radio ads but did not disclose the number of ads purchased.

mlevenit@msn.com replied Tues, July 30, 2019 at 9:19PM
to: "PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

Below is a copy of Lisa Thomas' photo on her Facebook page showing her attendance at Franklin County's Lincoln Day Dinner.

Lisa Rector Thomas is attending Lincoln Day Dinner With Steve Largent at Red Lion Hotel & Conference Center Pasco with George Stotz and 2 others.

May 3 · Pasco ·

Tonight we met Steve Largent, but these guys were also honored 🍷🍷 #Vets ❤️ us

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Below is another photo showing her attendance from her Facebook page.

Lisa Rector Thomas is attending Franklin County Republican Lincoln Day Dinner at Red Lion Hotel & Conference Center Pasco.

May 3 · Pasco ·

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Below is statement made April 3, 2019 on LaWanda Hatch's Facebook page, indicating a ticket would be waiting for her.

LaWanda Hatch

April 3 ·

The legendary Steve Largent will be at the Red Lion on May 3rd for a once in a life time dinner. Message me if you'd like to buy a ticket. IT'S GOING TO BE AWESOME!!

- **Lisa Rector Thomas** I am coming, I believe a ticket is waiting for me-

Below is a statement that was read, in Lisa Thomas' absence, at a League of Woman Voters forum. This was posted on her (Lisa Thomas) Facebook page.

Lisa Rector Thomas

July 17 at 10:41 PM ·

Thank you Kimberly Maddox Heath for being my steward at the forum.

"Hello, I am reading this statement for Candidate Lisa Thomas, who is running for Richland City Council position 5. These are her words:

"Thank you for being here tonight and for being engaged in this important process. I'm sorry I could not be with you- my kids and I previously planned some special time together and I could not break this commitment to them. My kids are my priority, but so is my community.

I am a local, I grew up in Richland, graduated from Richland High School, attended the Tri-Cities Skills Center, and I am a graduate of the Columbia Basin College School of Nursing- known to be a very difficult

nursing school. I also learned Spanish in Carmichael middle school through college, which I use with my job and with my kids.

I am a Mother of 3, I am a homeowner, and a stakeholder in 3 local businesses.

I've worked in healthcare for almost 30 years. I am currently a nurse case manager covering parts of eastern Washington and Oregon. As a nurse, I advocate for the patient. I am a very passionate person, and I have used this strength to care for others and my community.

I am the Conservative candidate for Position 5, now endorsed by the Republican Party, and many other local elected officials. I believe in our Constitution and limited government, which allows citizens freedom.

As our community grows in size and diversity, Richland needs leaders who desire solutions. I want the citizens of Richland to have the security of knowing that they have a Councilwoman who cares, who can be a strong listener and voice for them.

I am grateful to former Richland mayor Rob Welch for his endorsement, in which he said, 'It is my sincere belief that she will be open, fair, and hard-working for our community.'

I look forward to the opportunity to serve the citizens with integrity, and I humbly ask for your vote for Richland City Council, Position 5. Thank you , Lisa Thomas"

Read my full platform at:

www.lisathomasforcitycouncil.com

Below is her candidate statement in Benton County's on-line voter's guide.

Candidate's Statement

Lisa Thomas

Elected Experience: First Campaign

Other Professional Experience: Registered Nurse

Education: Richland High School, Tri-Tech Skills Center, University of Washington, Graduate of Columbia Basin College School of Nursing.

Community Service: Active supporter and donor to SARC (Support, Advocacy & Resource Center); Organizer for Day of iMPACT!; Shine the Light on Human Sex Trafficking Walk for Awareness participant; Safe Harbor Support Center advocate; One Stop Neurological Services for Mental Health member; School Nurse volunteer; former Sausage Fest Chairperson; Fundraiser, Columbia Basin Veterans Center; Volunteer, Columbians Drum & Bugle Corps; Organizer, Franklin County Sheriff's Office National Night Out.

Statement: I'm very eager to offer new energy, passion, and perspective to City Council. Our community is growing in size and diversity; I will be a fair-minded representative of our community values. Being a homeowner, I advocated against the \$20 car tab fee and 8% electric rate increase. To maintain sustainable growth, we need to preserve our clean energy resources. I will remain engaged with WSDOT regarding our traffic congestion and road quality. As a mother concerned about school safety, I've advocated for more mental health and drug treatment services while urging our Public Safety Tax be spent on our rising crime and gang prevention. As a Richland Bomber and **stakeholder in 3 local family businesses**, I will work with councilmembers to set policies, adopt ordinances, and manage our budget with focus on blighted areas, parks,

and rezoning. I will compassionately yet wisely address policies on homelessness, pot shops, and needle exchanges. I'm a strong advocate for our growing Hispanic community, drug detox facilities and treatment, gun rights, Law Enforcement, Firefighters and Veterans. My goal is to address sensitive issues while maintaining a fondness for one another. It is a privilege that I ask for your vote.

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Below is an endorsement statement referencing that she is a small business owner.

“As a small business owner, Lisa is truly a breath of fresh air. Her passion, knowledge and drive to do what is right makes her the best choice for Richland City Council Position 5.

Lisa Thomas has amended her latest C4 to include a donation of \$250.00 to the Benton County Republican Central Committee.

I want to let you know that I filed another complaint regarding Lisa Thomas today. I would like to amend that complaint to note that the candidate has 3 different size signs.

Thank you. I hope this helps. Let me know if anything else I can do for you.

Michele Levenite