

Complaint Description

Glen Morgan reported via the portal Wed, 17 July 2019 at 12:29AM

To whom it may concern,

It has come to my attention that the Fire Services Fund of Washington PAC during the 2018 election cycle violated Washington State's campaign finance laws (**RCW 42.17A**).

1) Accepting Illegal Over limit Anonymous Contributions (Violation of RCW 42.17A.220 (4))

The Fire Services Fund of Washington PAC violated Washington State's campaign finance laws by accepting more than \$300 in anonymous contributions from donors. Specifically, it appears that this committee accepted \$2,632 in anonymous contributions, which is \$2,332 more than the allowable anonymous contribution limit defined in **RCW 42.17A.220 (4)**.

Upon reviewing the expenditures by this political committee, there is no evidence supporting any claim these funds were eschewed to the Treasury of the State of Washington as is required in law. Therefore this is a violation of the statute, and these funds should be immediately forfeited to the Washington State Treasury.

I've attached the relevant C3 contribution reports which detail all the anonymous contributions received by this committee during the 2018 calendar year. **This candidate must forfeit \$2,332 to the Washington State Treasury immediately.** In this way, these funds can be squandered along with the rest of the general fund tax dollars, but at least this forfeiture of anonymous dark money funds may discourage others from doing the same in the future.

This political committee should be warned about not taking secretive, dark money anonymously to fund political campaigns. This is a serious violation of Washington's State campaign finance laws and counter to the spirit and intention of transparency in the political process.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions on this matter.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

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What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
The public has a right to have candidates for political office who do not fund their political campaigns by secretive, anonymous dark money funding as this political committee chose to do. This PAC must forfeit these illegal dark money funds and send them to the Washington State Treasury where they can be squandered with the rest of the General Fund. At least it will send a message to future dark money anonymous donors that their money is not welcome, even in PACs like this one.
List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.
See attached
All officers associated with this PAC
Complaint Certification:
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CASH RECEIPTS MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS

C3

(1/02)

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Candidate or Committee Name (Do not abbreviate. Use full name.)

Fire Services Fund of Washington

Mailing Address

PO Box 6232

City

Olympia, WA

Zip + 4

98507

Office Sought (candidates)

Election Date

2018

1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date Received		Amount	Total
Various	a. Anonymous	\$2,632.00	\$2,632.00
	b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c)		
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements. Attach Schedule L		
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other). Attach explanation		
	e. Small contributions \$25.00 or less not itemized and number of persons giving _____ (persons)		

2. CONTRIBUTIONS OVER \$25.00

Date Received	Contributor's Name, Address, City, State, Zip	Contributions of more than \$100:*	P R I	G E N	Amount	Aggregate* Total
		Occupation				
		Occupation				
		Occupation				
		Occupation				
		Occupation				
		Sub-total			\$2,632.00	*See reverse for details.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if additional pages are attached	Amount from attached pages			\$0.00	

3. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT

Sum of parts 1 and 2 above. Enter this amount in line 1, Schedule A to C4.

\$2,632.00

4. Date of Deposit

10/30/18

I certify that this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Treasurer's Signature

Date

Sandy Babcock

12-10-2018

Treasurer's Daytime Telephone No.: **(253) 318-8441**