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September 20, 2019

Delivered electronically to "robmacdermid@hotmail.com"

Subject: PDC Case 55589

Dear Rob MacDermid:

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

As noted below to Robert Parker, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter.

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), this letter serves as a warning letter concerning your failure to comply with the filing requirements noted in the enclosed letter sent to Mr. Parker. Staff expects you to timely file C-1 reports in future years in accordance with PDC laws and rules. The Commission will consider this formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabatha Blacksmith at 360-586-8929, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Sincerely,

/s _____
Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s _____
Peter Lavallee
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Subject: Complaint regarding Rob MacDermid, PDC Case 55589

Dear Robert Parker:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on July 25, 2019. Your complaint alleged that Rob MacDermid (the "Respondent") may have violated RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to timely register as a candidate within two weeks of declaring candidacy by filing a C-1 report (Candidate Registration).

PDC staff reviewed your allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by the Respondent; and the relevant PDC reports filed by Respondent to determine whether they support a finding of one or more violations.

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

- The Respondent is an incumbent candidate for School Director for Central Kitsap School District who filed with Elections on May 14, 2019.
- Candidates are required to register with the PDC within two weeks of becoming a "candidate," as defined in RCW 42.17A.005(9) and WAC 390-05-200. Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.205, candidate committees are required to register with the PDC within two weeks of 1) being organized; or 2) first having the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures, whichever comes first. The Candidate Registration (C-1 report) serves the dual purpose of registering both the candidate and the candidate's committee.
- The PDC notified the Respondent of the missing Candidate Registration (C-1 report) by email on August 2, 2019.
- The Respondent filed a C-1 report with the PDC on September 4, 2019 and selected the mini-reporting option. Mini-reporters are not required to submit C-3 and C-4 reports to the PDC disclosing campaign contributions and expenditures.
- The Respondent erroneously believed he was not required to file a C-1 report because he does not intend to raise, collect or spend any money on his campaign.

- Aggravating factors include: The Respondent's late report was received 29 days after the Primary Election.
- Mitigating factors include: The Respondent's noncompliance was the result of a good-faith omission, which he took steps to resolve. The Respondent's campaign is relatively small and unsophisticated and he has no prior violations with the PDC.

Based on these findings, staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely file the Candidate Registration (C-1 report) does not amount a violation warranting further investigation.

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), Rob MacDermid will receive a formal written warning concerning his failure to comply with the filing requirements noted above. The formal written warning will include staff's expectation that Rob MacDermid timely file C-1 reports in future years in accordance with PDC laws and rules. The Commission may consider the formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

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: Rob MacDermid