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October 28, 2019

Delivered electronically to "jfohnson12@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Robert Parker, PDC Case 56284

Dear Justin Johnson:

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

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

If you have questions, you may contact Tabitha Townsend at 1-360-586-4555 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

/s

Tabitha Townsend
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s

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Subject: Complaint regarding Justin Johnson, PDC Case 56284

Dear Robert Parker:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on August 8, 2019. The complaint alleged that Justin Johnson, a candidate for City Council Member for City of Lake Forest Park may have violated RCW 42.17A.205, .210, .215 for failure to timely and accurately file Campaign Registration reports (C-1 reports), disclosing the Treasurer and Depositories of the Campaign; RCW 42.17A.700, .710 for failure to timely and accurately file Personal Financial Affairs Statement reports (F-1 reports).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements, the responses provided by the Respondent, and the applicable PDC reports filed by Respondent to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

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

- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.205, .210, .215 the Respondent is required to file timely and accurate Campaign Registration reports (C-1 reports) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.
- The Respondent registered with King County as a Candidate and was required to file within two weeks of becoming a candidate or no later than June 3, 2019.
- The Respondent filed the C-1 report on October 15, 2019, 134 days beyond the statutory deadline of RCW 42.17A.205.
- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.700, .710 the Respondent is required to file timely and accurate Personal Financial Affairs Statement reports (F-1 reports) within two weeks of becoming a Candidate.
- PDC staff noted that the F-1 report was not filed as of August 30, 2019, upon review of the candidate reports.
- The Respondent filed the F-1 report on October 15, 2019, 134 days beyond the statutory deadline of RCW 42.17A.700.
- The Respondent is a first-time candidate who lost in the Primary Election.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely file the C-1 and F-1 reports does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

Justin Johnson completed a Statement of Understanding (SOU) and paid a \$200 civil penalty in accordance with WAC 390-37-143 (Brief Enforcement Penalty Schedule), acknowledging

violations of RCW 42.17A.205 and RCW 42.17A.700 for: (1) failing to timely file the required Campaign Registration report (C-1 report); and (2) failing to timely file the Personal Financial Affairs Statement report (F-1 report) during the 2019 election. The \$200 penalty assessed resolves the allegations listed in your complaint.

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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