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November 8, 2019

Delivered electronically to "info@voteformnicolas.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Glen Morgan, PDC Case 59228

Dear Nicolas Duchastel:

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

As noted in the letter to Glen Morgan, 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.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of including sponsor identification on political advertising, including name and address of sponsor. PDC staff expects in the future that you will include sponsor identification on political advertising in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

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

Barbara Sandahl
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Delivered electronically to “glen@wethegoverned.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding Nicolas Duchastel, PDC Case 59198

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on October 25, 2019. The complaint alleged that Nicolas Duchastel (Respondent), a Candidate for City Council Member for City of Woodinville may have violated RCW 42.17A.320 for failure to provide sponsor identification, including the name and address of the sponsor, on political advertising.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements and the response provided by the 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.320 the Respondent must include sponsor identification, including name and address of sponsor, on political advertising.
- The Respondent purchased a package of five ads to be run in the Woodinville Weekly, a local publication, running on October 3rd, October 10th, October 17th, October 24th and October 31st.
- Political advertisements had run without sponsor identification on October 3rd, October 10th, October 17th and October 24th in the Woodinville Weekly prior to the complaint being filed on October 25, 2019.
- The Respondent in a good faith effort corrected the last political advertisement, to include the sponsor identification in accordance with RCW 42.17A.320, that was to run on October 31, 2019 after receiving the complaint notification on October 25, 2019.
- In addition, on October 26, 2019, the Respondent posted on his social media, a public apology for the lack of sponsor identification in the political advertisements.
- The Respondent does not have prior violations with the PDC
- The Respondent is a first-time candidate who will appear on the November 5, 2019 General Election ballot.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to provide sponsor identification on political advertising does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Nicolas Duchastel about the importance of including sponsor identification, including name and address of the sponsor, on political advertising in accordance with the statutes and 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: Nicolas Duchastel