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December 19, 2019

Delivered electronically to "awnaunderwood@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Peg Leland, PDC Case 60238

Dear Awna Underwood:

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

As noted in the letter to Peg Leland, 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.

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), this serves as a formal written warning concerning failure to timely file your Candidate Registration and Personal Financial Affairs Statement. Staff expects you to required reports of registration and financial disclosure. 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 Tabitha Townsend at 1-360-586-4555 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

/s

Tabitha Townsend
Compliance Coordinator

/s

Peter Lavallee
Executive Director



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Delivered electronically to “peg2326@yahoo.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding Awna Underwood, PDC Case 60238

Dear Peg Leland:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on November 16, 2019. The complaint alleged that Awna Underwood (Respondent), a write-in candidate for Mayor for the City of Camas may have violated RCW 42.17A.205, .210, .215 for failure to timely file Candidate Registration, disclosing treasurer and depository information for the campaign; and RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to timely file your Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements, the response provided by the Respondent and the applicable PDC reports filed 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.205, .210, .215 the Respondent is required to timely and accurately file their Candidate Registration (C-1 report), disclosing the treasurer and depository information.
- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.700 the Respondent is required to timely and accurately file their F-1 report within two weeks of becoming a candidate.
- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.205(1) the Respondent was to register within three business days due to announcing within three weeks of the election.
- The Respondent announced that she was running as a write-in candidate for Mayor of Camas on October 30, 2019, making the Registration due on November 4, 2019, and the F-1 report due on November 13, 2019, for the General election held on November 6, 2019.
- Clark County Elections allow write-in candidates to register with the filing officer up to 8 pm on the date of the election; the registration to be a write-in candidate for Mayor was declined by the Clark County Elections office on November 5, 2019 as stated by the Respondent in their response received November 19, 2019.
- The Respondent filed the required Candidate Registration and F-1 report on December 9, 2019, which is 37 days beyond the statutory deadline of RCW 42.17A.205 and 26 days beyond the statutory deadline of RCW 42.17A.700.
- The Respondent has no prior violations with the PDC.

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.

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), however, Awna Underwood will receive a formal written warning concerning failure to timely file a Candidate Registration and Personal Financial Affairs Statement. The formal written warning will include staff's expectation that Awna Underwood timely files all future required reports of registration and financial disclosure. The Commission will 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: Awna Underwood