



**State of Washington  
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Subject: Staff-generated complaint, PDC Case 65083

Dear John Scott Blonien:

On February 14, 2020, the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) notified you of an alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.615 for failure to timely file one or more monthly *Lobbying Expense* reports (L-2 reports), disclosing lobbying activities in calendar year 2019.

PDC staff have reviewed this matter and found the following:

- The PDC received your 2019 L-2 report(s) on February 20, 2020, as required by RCW 42.17A.615. As a Lobbyist registered to lobby in 2019, the monthly report(s) were due by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each following month, making your report(s) **342 days late**.

John Scott Blonien completed a *Statement of Understanding* (SOU) and paid a \$100 civil penalty in accordance with WAC 390-37-143 (Brief Enforcement Penalty Schedule), acknowledging a violation of RCW 42.17A.615 for failing to timely file the one or more monthly *Lobbying Expense* reports (L-2 reports), due by the 15th day of each calendar month, disclosing activity in the previous calendar month. The \$100 penalty assessed resolves the allegation.

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)(a). The PDC will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

In addition, it appears that the required photograph or biological information is missing from your registration page. Per [RCW 42.17A.605](#), each lobbyist is required to “electronically [submit] to the commission a **recent photograph of the lobbyist** of a size and format as determined by rule of the commission, together with the name of the lobbyist's employer, the length of the lobbyist's employment as a lobbyist before the legislature, a **brief biographical description**, and any other information the lobbyist may wish to submit not to exceed fifty words in length.”

- Please update your registration to include the required information no later than **March 16, 2020**.

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

Sincerely,

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Tabatha Blacksmith  
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

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