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Public Disclosure Commission
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Re: Alleged Violation of RCW 42.17A

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter responds to the complaint from Mr. Glen Morgan that the Commission received on February 12, 2020. Mr. Morgan alleges that Mike Kreidler Surplus Funds violated reporting requirements. Below I address each of the alleged violations identified in Mr. Morgan's complaint in order listed in the complaint.

1. Contribution to Denny Heck for Congress

This contribution was an error. A refund was requested upon realization and received on March 9th, 2020.

2. August 2018 Expenses

Mr. Kreidler was reimbursed for expenses related to the retirement event held for Jim Odiorne. Mr Odiorne served as the Chief Deputy Commissioner for several years and was a 30-year employee of Office of the Insurance Commissioner. These expenses included \$476.40 at Well 80 and \$2279.58 for site rental and catering and River's Edge.

The other expense identified in the complaint was a reimbursement to Mr. Kreidler for \$83.66 on August 1st. This was an interviews and meetings with Senior Climate Policy Advisors.

3. January 2020 Expenses

Three individuals were reimbursed for expenses related to their annual staff holiday and appreciation event. The report was originally reported with the note "Sub-vendors TBD" then amended on February 15th with detailed and itemized sub-vendors information.

4. March 2019 Expense

Darryl Coleman was reimbursed for the registration fee of staff participation in the State Agency Softball League as described on the report.

5. May 2019 Expense

Mr. Kreidler attended the National Association of Insurance Commissioner's (NAIC) International Insurance Forum. He received a reimbursement for a meal at Hank's Capitol Hill Restaurant.

6. January 2019 Expense

Annalisa Gellermann was reimbursed for expenses related to their annual staff holiday and appreciation event. These expenses were appropriately itemized with sub-vendor information on the C4 report.

7. March 2018 Expense

Surplus funds were used to pay the registration fee for staff participation in the State Agency Softball League.

8-9. December 2017 Expenses

Mr. Kreidler was reimbursed for expenses related to the annual staff holiday and appreciation event. These expenses totaled \$470.67 with two expenses to Wagner's Bakery reaching the itemization threshold.

He was also reimbursed a staff dinner in association with the NAIC Fall National Meeting. This expense was \$807.32 to the Fresco Italian Restaurant in Honolulu, HI. At this event, he also attended a dinner paid for by Nelson-Taplin-Goldwater. Surplus funds were used to reimburse for Mr. Kreidler's portion of dinner.

Similarly, surplus funds were used to reimburse Nelson-Taplin-Goldwater for Mr. Kreidler's portion of a dinner in Santa Fe, NM. Mr. Kreidler attended the 2017 Insurance Industry Roundtable.

10-11. Jennifer Kraft Reimbursements

Washington hosted all the NAIC Western Zone members for their meetings from September 28th through October 1st, 2017. Jennifer Kraft was reimbursed for gifts purchased from the Legislative Gift Center for attendees.

12. August 2017 Expense

Surplus funds were used to purchase a team appreciation for staff after the softball league concluded. Mr. Kreidler was reimbursed for his expense to Dirty Dave's Pizza Parlor.

13. April 2017 Expense

Surplus funds were used to pay the registration fee for staff participation in the State Agency Softball League.

14. July 2018 Expense

Mr. Kreidler and a staff member traveled to Seattle to attend a press conference with Congressman Suzanne DelBene regarding the Affordable Care Act. He purchased a meal at Din Tai Fung for lunch.

15. May 2018 Expense

Mr. Kreidler attended the NAIC All Commissioner Fly-In Meeting in Washington DC and was reimbursed for the cost of a meal at Sonoma DC.

16. February 2017 Expense

Mr. Kreidler attended the NAIC Conference from Feb 2nd through February 4th, 2017 in Orlando, FL and was reimbursed for the cost of a meal at Mizner's Lounge.

17. January 2018 Expense

Mr. Kreidler was reimbursed for purchasing his staff lunch during their meeting in Seattle.

18. October 2017 Expense

Mr. Kreidler attended the 2017 Insurance Industry Roundtable in Santa Fe, NM and was reimbursed the cost of a meal at the Hilton Hotel.

19. November 2016 Expenses

Mr. Kreidler attended the National Council of Insurance Legislators Annual Meeting. He purchased one meal during travel at Anthony's restaurant. He also attended the NAIC Government Relations Leadership Council in Seattle and purchased one meal at Taramind Tree.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond. Please let me know if you require more information.

Sincerely,

Josie Olsen
Treasurer