



**State of Washington
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June 8, 2020

Delivered electronically to “campaign@time4tom.com and tom@time4tom.com”

Subject: Complaint filed by Byron Powell, PDC Case 70864

Dear Thomas McGarry:

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

As noted in the letter to Byron Powell, 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 disclosing your party preference on political advertisements. PDC staff expects in the future that you will disclose your party preference on political advertisements in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabitha Townsend at 1-360-586-4555 or 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
Deputy Director
For Peter Lavallee
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Subject: Complaint regarding Thomas McGarry, PDC Case 70864

Dear Byron Powell:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on May 22, 2020. The complaint alleged that Thomas McGarry (Respondent), a Candidate for State Representative, for Legislative District 6 in the State of Washington House of Representatives may have violated RCW 42.17A.320 and WAC 390-18-020 for failure to disclose party preference on political advertising.

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 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 and WAC 390-18-020 the Respondent is required to disclose party preference on political advertisements.
- Political party preference was not listed on the Respondent's website, time4tom.com, at the time your complaint was received by the PDC.
- The Respondent added the party preference to the sponsor identification on the front page of the website upon receiving the notification that there was missing information.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to properly disclose party preference on political advertisement, does not appear to be a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Thomas McGarry about the importance of disclosing their party preference on political advertisements in accordance with the statutes and rules.

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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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