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June 25, 2020

Delivered electronically to "lands@povn.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Norm Smith, PDC Case 72431

Dear Donna Lands:

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

As noted in the letter to Norm Smith, 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 timely, completely and accurately disclosing all contribution and expenditure activities. PDC staff expects in the future that you will timely and accurately file all future PDC reports 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
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Subject: Complaint regarding Donna Lands, PDC Case 72431

Dear Norm Smith:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on June 11, 2020. The complaint alleged that Donna Lands, a Candidate for County Commissioner for Pend Oreille County may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 for failure to timely, completely and accurately file Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports), disclosing expenditures undertaken by the Campaign.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the applicable PDC reports filed by the Respondent; and queried the Respondent’s data in the PDC contribution and expenditure database 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.235 the Respondent is required to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures regularly on C-4 reports.
- Pursuant to WAC 390-16-037 the Respondent is required to disclose accurate descriptions on their C-4 reports, including vendor information, purpose, including quantity and descriptive details when necessary.
- The Respondent did not disclose the quantity of items purchased and reported on C-4 dated June 10, 2020, 100975176 as of June 11, 2020 when the complaint was filed.
- The Respondent amended the June 10, 2020 C-4 to include required details, including quantity purchased, on June 15, 2020, amended report is 100976494.
- The Respondent is a first-time candidate.
- Within the last five years, the Respondent has no prior violations with the PDC.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely, completely and accurately disclose Expenditures on their C-4 report does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Donna Lands about the importance of the timely, complete and accurate disclosure of all contribution and expenditure activities and the timely, complete and accurate filing of all future PDC reports 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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