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August 7, 2020

Sent electronically to Glen Morgan at [glen@wethegoverned.com](mailto:glen@wethegoverned.com)

Subject: Complaint regarding George Bridges, PDC Case 73829

Dear Mr. Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on July 17, 2020. Your complaint alleged that George Bridges, the incumbent President of The Evergreen State College, may have violated RCW 42.17A.700(2) and .710 for failure to timely file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement report (F-1) by April 15, 2020, for the 2020 election year.

PDC staff reviewed the applicable statute(s), rule(s), and reporting requirements; and the response submitted by George Bridges.

Based on staff review, we found the following:

- On June 17, 2020, the PDC staff did an electronic outreach via email warning Mr. Bridges that he had not filed his F-1 report for 2019, that was due no later than April 15, 2020.
- On the same day, June 17, 2020, the PDC received a complaint from you alleging violation of RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to timely file a F-1 report.
- In his response to the complaint, received by the PDC on July 22, 2020, Mr. Bridges stated, “I am deeply apologetic for and upset by missing the April 15 deadline for filing my F-1 financial information. Like many agency heads I am devoting an immense amount of time directing COVID-19 efforts and have been doing so since early March. I share this information with you not as an excuse for not filing on time but as an explanation of why my filing is late.”
- On July 16, 2020, Mr. Bridges filed a Personal Financial Affairs Statement report (F-1) with the PDC.

While our review found that George Bridges failed to timely file a Personal Statement of Financial Affairs (F-1) report that was due no later than April 15, 2020, we found no prior PDC violations against him.

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), George Bridges will receive a formal written warning concerning the failure to timely file a Personal Statement of Financial Affairs (F-1) report as required by law. Mr. Bridges will be informed 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 has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

If you have questions, you may contact Erick Agina, Compliance Officer at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [pdc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdc@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

Endorsed by:

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Erick Agina, Compliance Officer

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Peter Lavalley, Executive Director

cc: George Bridges

