



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

711 Capitol Way Rm. 206, PO Box 40908 • Olympia, Washington 98504-0908
(360) 753-1111 • FAX (360) 753-1112

Toll Free 1-877-601-2828 • E-mail: pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov • Website: www.pdcc.wa.gov

August 27, 2020

Delivered electronically to “evergreenprogress.washington@gmail.com”

Subject: Complaint filed by Steven Lydolph, PDC Case 74699

Dear Evergreen Progress (MC2):

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

As noted in the letter to Steven Lydolph, 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.

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,

Endorsed by,

/s

Tabitha Townsend
Compliance Coordinator

/s

Barbara Sandahl
Deputy Director
For Peter Lavallee
Executive Director



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

711 Capitol Way Rm. 206, PO Box 40908 • Olympia, Washington 98504-0908
(360) 753-1111 • FAX (360) 753-1112

Toll Free 1-877-601-2828 • E-mail: pdc@pdc.wa.gov • Website: www.pdc.wa.gov

August 27, 2020

Delivered electronically to "stevl@comcast.net"

Subject: Complaint regarding Evergreen Progress (MC2), PDC Case 74699

Dear Steven Lydolph:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on August 5, 2020. The complaint alleged that "Evergreen Progress 2020" (Respondent), a political committee, may have violated RCW 42.17A.235, .240, .255, .260, and .305 for failure to timely and accurately file Monetary Contribution reports (C-3 reports), Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports), and Independent Expenditure or Electioneering Communication reports (C-6 reports), disclosing contributions and expenditures undertaken by the Campaign.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by the Respondent; 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 and .240, the Respondent is required to timely and accurately disclose contributions and expenditures on C-3 and C-4 reports.
- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.255, .260, and .305, the Respondent is required to timely and accurately disclose expenditures for independent expenditures and electioneering communications on C-6 reports.
- Evergreen Progress first registered as a political committee with the PDC in 2008.
- On July 11, 2015, Community Progress filed their Committee Registration (C-1PC report) to list their name as Community Progress (MC2), report# 100647940.
- On or about July of 2020, Evergreen Progress sponsored a mailer opposing candidates Alicia Rule and Sharon Shewmake. This advertising included the required sponsor identification but listed the sponsor's name as "Evergreen Progress (MC2)."
- The Respondent filed a C-6 report on July 27, 2020 disclosing the electioneering communication mailer (report# 10140).

- The Respondent filed a C-4 report on July 28, 2020 disclosing the expenditure made to Madison Communications for the electioneering communication mailer (report# 100987818).
- After being notified of this complaint, Evergreen Progress amended its C-1PC report to reflect its name change to Evergreen Progress (MC2) to reduce confusion. The report was filed on August 7, 2020 (report # CF-19899).

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, no evidence supports a finding of a violation that warrants further investigation.

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).

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 Lavalley
Executive Director

cc: Evergreen Progress (MC2)