

Respondent Name
Robert Gray
Complainant Name
Brian Estes
Complaint Description
<p>Brian Estes (Thu, 15 Oct 2020 at 10:27 AM)</p> <p>Dear Public Disclosure Commission,</p> <p>I write today to submit a complaint against an unregistered campaign committee associated with a mailer opposing City of Bellingham Proposition 2020-14. I have enclosed a photo of the mailer, which appears to have been sent via bulk mail to residential addresses throughout Bellingham. Postage alone for this mailing, while was received throughout Bellingham on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, should total well over \$1,000.</p> <p>I allege the following violations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The unregistered committee has failed to timely complete committee registration. In doing so, the committee has violated RCW 42.17A.205. 2. The unregistered committee has failed to timely report their monetary contributions (C-3 reports) and expenditures/summary (C-4 reports) as required by law. In doing so, the committee has violated RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240. 3. The unregistered committee has failed to properly indicate sponsorship information on their political mailer. In doing so, the committee has violated RCW 42.17A.320. <p>The mailer was sent anonymously, signed only "Samish Resident", and is associated with the mailing address: 2950 Newmarket St Ste 101 #264, Bellingham, WA 98226-3872. This address appears to be a private mailbox.</p> <p>We request the PDC's assistance in investigating this matter, and if possible, ask the PDC to issue notice to the associated mailing address to prevent further egregious campaign finance violations.</p> <p>Best regards, Brian Estes</p>
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
<p>Voters in the City of Bellingham have the right to know what group is behind political advertising, who their donors are, and what the group stands for. Failure to disclose this information violates the transparency and accountability inherent in our political system so fundamental to a democratic society.</p>

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found
Copy of mailer I received on October 14, 2020
List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them
Ben Anderstone, ben@progressivestrategiesnw.com
Certification (Complainant)
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Samish Resident
2350 Newmarket St., Suite 101-264
Bellingham, WA 98226

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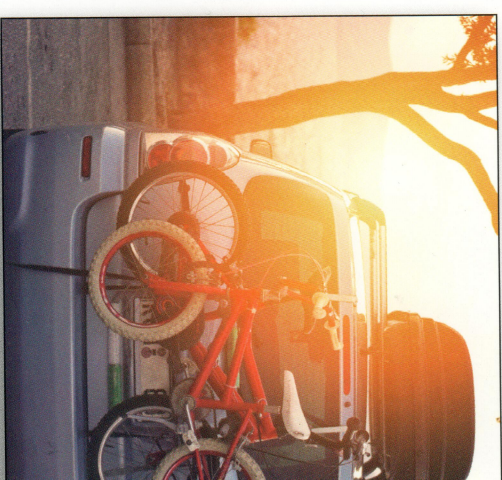


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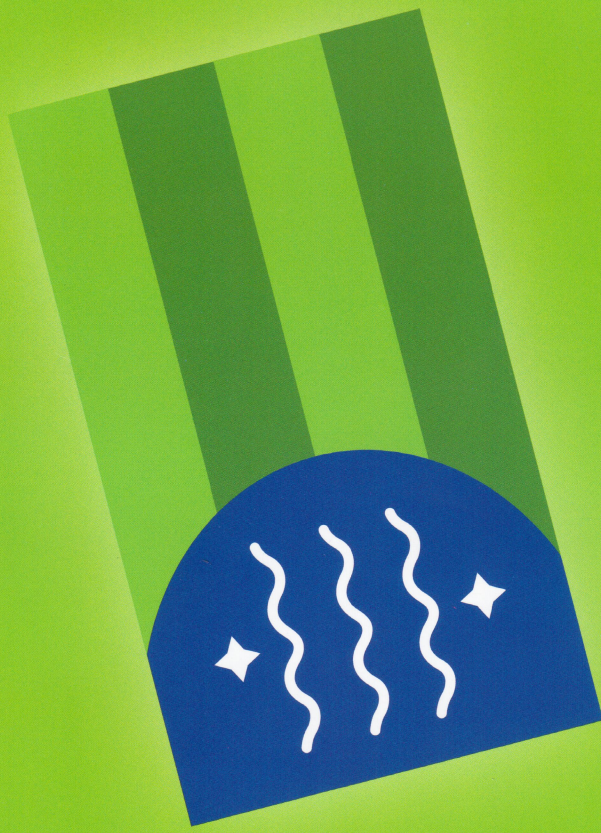
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Elizabeth Mulligan
Complaint Description
<p>Elizabeth Mulligan (Fri, 16 Oct 2020 at 12:27 PM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A description of the alleged violation(s) and the name of the person or entity responsible (“respondent”); Publication and distribution of a city-wide mailer which does not identify the sponsor and cost tens of thousands of dollars. I don't know who the responsible person/entity is for this reason. • A reference to the law(s) or rule(s) violated; RCW 42.17A requires political advertising for or against a political campaign identify the sponsor and top contributors.
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
It prevents the public from knowing the identity of the sponsor of the political advertisement
List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found
Photos of mailer
List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them
<p>Nathan Carnes 2416 Franklin St Bellingham, WA 98225, Eowyn Savelle 2827 James St Bellingham, WA 98225, (360) 756-6151 Stephanie Allen 2311 Franklin St Bellingham, WA 98225, (360) 756-5039</p>
Certification (Complainant)
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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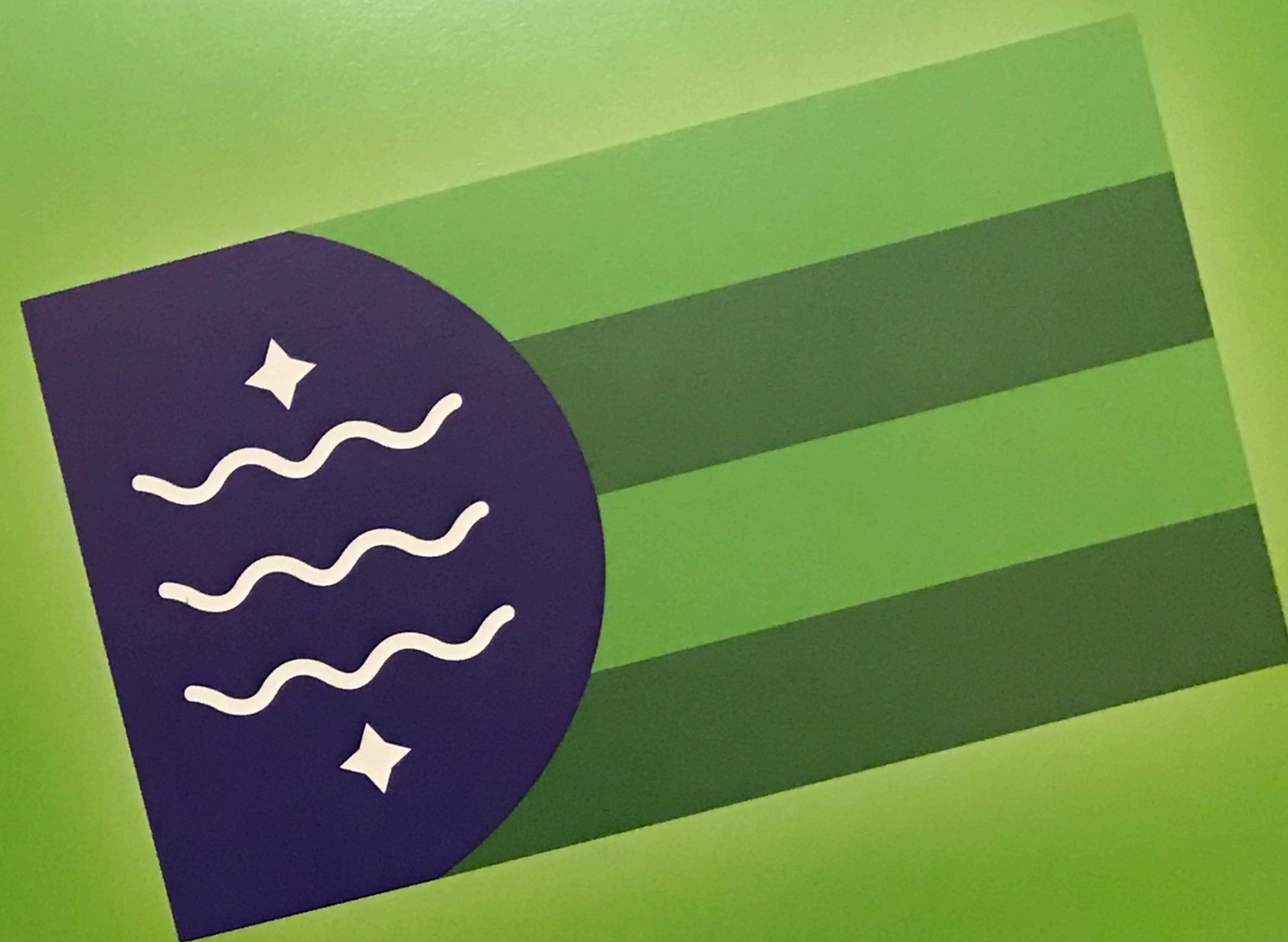
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Bill McCallum
Complaint Description
<p>Bill (Tue, 20 Oct 2020 at 2:05 PM)</p> <p>The committee is not identified on the attached mailer.</p> <p>The return address is bogus. Newmarker Street starts with the 2900 block.</p> <p>The "top five" contributors are not listed.</p>
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
<p>The committee is not identified on the attached mailer.</p> <p>The return address is bogus. Newmarker Street starts with the 2900 block.</p> <p>The "top five" contributors are not listed.</p>
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Vote "NO" on 2020-14 attached.
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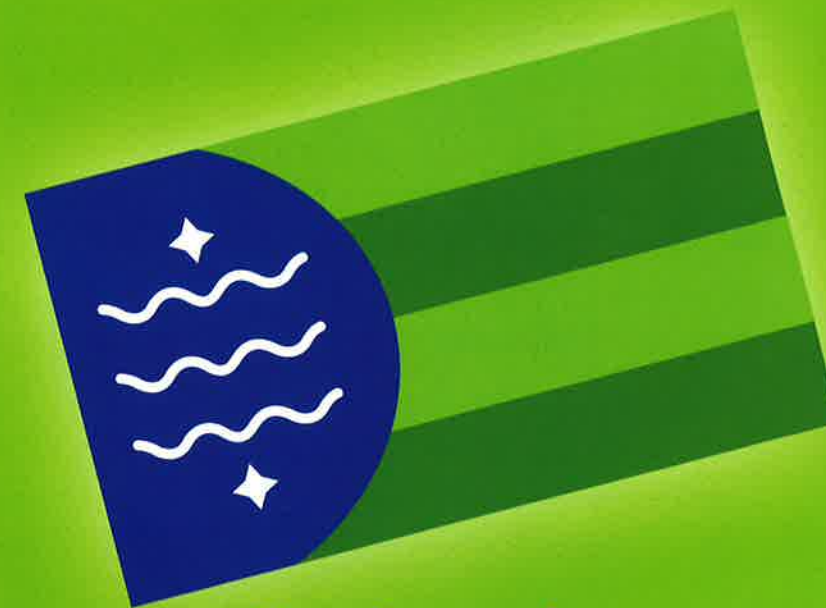


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