

5/27/2021

Mr. Stutzman,

On the 31st of March 2021 a complaint was provided to the Benton County Sheriff's Guild.

- Allegation: Alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.405 by making an over-limit contribution to the Recall Jerry Hatcher committee

It is the understanding of the Benton County Sheriff's Deputy Guild (BCDSG) did not intend to make a contribution in violation of the \$1000.00 limit. There was confusion related to the allowable amounts. A contribution was made in excess and the error was inadvertent. In the interim, since the contribution was made, the BCDSG has been informed that the Recall Campaign had sought an exception to the contribution limits. The DSG's contribution was not done in bad faith, but out of general misunderstanding and/or general ignorance. In the event the exemption is granted the BCDSG would respectfully request allowing their contribution to be accepted in light of the exemption for contributions. The BCDSG would ask that any violation be considered in light of these facts and that no fine be imposed.

Regards,

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