

# State of Washington PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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## Memorandum

To: Public Disclosure Commission

From: Tabitha Townsend, Compliance Coordinator 2

Date: October 6, 2021

Subject: Sheila Sisney; PDC Case 94202; Reconsideration Hearing

### **Matter for Reconsideration:**

At the Brief Enforcement Hearing held on July 15, 2021, the Respondent was found in violation of RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to file the F-1 report no later than April 15, 2021, and was assessed a \$250 penalty, consistent with WAC 390-37-143, the Brief Enforcement Hearing penalty schedule adopted by the Commission. The Presiding Officer suspended \$150 of the \$250 penalty conditioned upon the Respondent filing the missing F-1 report and paying the non-suspended \$100 penalty within 30 days of the Initial Order being served.

#### **Background:**

- Sheila Sisney (the "Respondent") served as School Director for Darrington SD 330 during calendar year 2020. She resigned from her position November 19, 2020.
- The Respondent has no prior violations of RCW 42.17A.700 with the PDC.
- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.700, an elected or appointed official who held office in 2020 was required to file an F-1 report, disclosing financial information for calendar year 2020, no later than April 15, 2021.
- Between February and May of 2021, PDC staff sent email reminders to all elected and appointed officials regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2020
- On May 11, 2021, PDC staff emailed warning letters to elected and appointed official regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2020.

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- On June 30, 2021, PDC staff emailed the Respondent a hearing notice for a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing) to be held on July 15, 2021. The hearing notice was sent to the Respondent's email address-of-record <a href="mailto:ssisney@dsd.k12.wa.us">ssisney@dsd.k12.wa.us</a> and <a href="mailto:sheila-sisney@darringtonrx.com">ssisney@dsd.k12.wa.us</a> and <a href="mailto:sheila-sisney@darringtonrx.com">ssisney@darringtonrx.com</a>.
- On August 17, 2021, PDC staff served the Initial Order memorializing the Commission's ruling, by email, to the contact email address-of-record <a href="mailto:sisney@dsd.k12.wa.us">sisney@dsd.k12.wa.us</a> and sheila sisney@darringtonrx.com.
- The Respondent filed her final F-1 report covering January 1 through November 19, 2020 activity on August 17, 2021.
- PDC Staff emailed the Reconsideration Hearing Notice to the Respondent on October 4, 2021.

### **Request for Reconsideration:**

• On August 18, 2021, the Respondent, verbally spoke to PDC staff to appeal the August 16, 2021 Order based on the needs of family during a major medical issue. PDC staff memorialized the request in an email to the Respondent.