#### **Respondent Name**

We Want Accountability

#### **Complainant Name**

Don Britain

#### **Complaint Description**

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(Fri, 1 Oct 2021 at 6:12 AM)

We Want Accountability PAC 2021 failed state "No Candidate authorized this ad and that it is paid for by (name ,address, city and state)" and failed list it's top 5 donors in all radio ads it paid for during the 2021 Kennewick City Council Primary election between 7/21/19 through 8/3/2021. By not listing it's top 5 contributors, We Want Accountability PAC 2021 is not following it's own name title, and is intentionally hiding the names of it's contributors and intentionally deceiving the public of the transparency it deserves.

#### What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

The public has the right to know who is contributing to election campaigns in Washington state and that campaign finance disclosure deters corruption, increases public confidence in Washington state elections, raises the level of debate, and strengthens our representative democracy. By not listing the top 5 contributors, We Want Accountability PAC 2021 is not following it's own name title, and is intentionally hiding the names of it's contributors and intentionally deceiving the public of the transparency it deserves. The public deserves the right to know by name who is paying for these advertisements. One of the cornerstones of Washington state's campaign finance disclosure laws is the requirement that political advertisements disclose the sponsor and the sponsor's top five donors. Many political action committees have avoided this important transparency requirement by funneling money from political action committee to political action committee so the top five donors listed are deceptive political action committee names rather than the real donors.

### List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

I have attached a list of the contributors to the We Want Accountability, PAC 2021, showing contributors who have contributed over \$1000 individually or by entity(ie a family) to include Bob and Shirley Fowler \$2035, Mike and Lara Shemali, Austin Shemali, and Darian Shemali \$2625, and Jerry and Renette Martin \$1000.

I have submitted an "Issue(non candidate) Advertisement Form that Jerry Martin, secretary for We Want Accountability PAC 2021, signed and submitted on behalf We Want Accountability PAC 2021 to run these ads. This obviously is not the correct form as the ads are specifically being ran as candidate ads.

In addition I have provided We Want Accountability PAC 2021 expenditure report showing payments of \$2384 to Cherry Creek Media and Townsquare Media to run radio ads in the Kennewick City Council primary election.

These forms come directly from the PDC filings of We Want Accountability PAC 2021

### List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

Charlotte Benjamin, Treasurer We Want Accountability PAC 2021 Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Jerry Martin, Secretary We Want Accountability PAC 2021 Kennewick, WA, 99337

Vincent Rundhaug, Chairman We Want Accountability PAC 2021 Grangeville, ID 83530

Washington State PDC

## **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.

#### ISSUE (Non-candidate) ADVERTISEMENT AGREEMENT FORM

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Client: We Want Accountability Political Action Committee

Title: Candidate for Kennewick City Council

Flight Dates: 7/20/21 (1 spot), 7/21/21 (1 spot), 7/22/21 (1 spot), 7/23/21 (1 spot), 7/24/21 (1 spot), 7/25/21 (1 spot), 7/26/21 (1 spot), 7/27/21 (1 spot), 7/28/21 (1 spot), 7/29/21 (1 spot), 7/30/21 (1 spot), 7/31/21 (1 spot), 8/1/21 (1 spot), 8/2/21 (1 spot), and

8/3/21 (1 spot) = total of 45 ads

Length: 30 sec

MAYOR DON BRITAIN. DO YOU KNOW THAT DON BRITAIN WAS FIRED

GRETL CRAWFORD IS RUNNING FOR KENNEWICK CITY COUNCIL AGAINST

FROM HIS JOB WITH THE WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND

HEALTH SERVICES BECAUSE OF AN INAPPROPRIATE RELATIONSHIP WITH

FILED AGAINST DON BRITAIN? IS THIS THE KIND OF PERSON YOU WANT TO BE YOUR MAYOR? IF NOT, VOTE FOR GRETL CRAWFORD FOR CITY

A FEMALE CLIENT? DO YOU KNOW THAT AN ETHICS COMPLAINT WAS

COUNCIL. PAID FOR BY WE WANT ACCOUNTABILITY PAC.

8/3/21 (1 spot) = total of 45 ads

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KENNEWICK MAYOR DON BRITAIN SAYS HE'S AGAINST HIGHER TAXES,

BUT DON'T TAKE HIS WORD FOR IT. THE MAYOR VOTED LAST NOVEMBER 17 TO RAISE THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY BY THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE

AMOUNT. BUT THREE CONSERVATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS BLOCKED THE

TAX INCREASE. SAY NO TO TAX INCREASES AND TO THE MAYOR. SAY
YES TO RE-ELECTING BILL MCKAY AND JOHN TRUMBO. VOTE FOR GRETL

CRAWFORD WHO IS RUNNING AGAINST DON BRITAIN. PAID FOR BY WE WANT ACCOUNTABILITY PAC.

Client: We Want Accountability Political Action Committee Title: Candidate for Kennewick City Council Flight Dates: 7/20/21 (1 spot), 7/21/21 (1 spot), 7/22/21 (1 spot), 7/23/21 (1 spot),

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8/3/21 (1 spot) = total of 1% ads

Length: 30 sec 14

RESTORE POSITIVE AND CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP TO KENNEWICK.

KEEP INCUMBENTS BILL MCKAY AND JOHN TRUMBO, AND REJECT

KENNEWICK'S MAYOR BY VOTING FOR GRETL CRAWFORD FOR CITY

COUNCIL ON AUGUST 3. ENOUGH OF THE POLITICAL INFIGHTING AND NONSENSE AT CITY HALL. DON'T LET MARIJUANA MONEY AND UNION

BACKERS PULL THE STRINGS AGAIN. VOTE FOR INTEGRITY AND

TRANSPARENCY AT CITY HALL. VOTE FOR MCKAY, TRUMBO, AND CRAWFORD. PAID FOR BY WE WANT ACCOUNTABILITY PAC

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HAVE YOU NOTICED WHERE THE MONEY IS COMING FROM IN KENNEWICK CITY COUNCIL RACES? MAYOR PRO-TEM STEVE LEE HAS DONATED \$1,000 TO A UNION-BACKED OPPONENT TRYING TO UNSEAT INCUMBENT JOHN TRUMBO. AND COUNCILMAN CHUCK TORELLI HAS DONATED \$1,000 TO HIS BUDDY ON THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION WHO IS TRYING TO UNSEAT INCUMBENT BILL MCKAY. POLITICS AT CITY HALL IS WELL-FINANCED. VOTE FOR INTEGRITY. VOTE FOR TRUMBO AND MCKAY. VOTE FOR GRETL CRAWFORD. PAID FOR BY WE WANT ACCOUNTABILITY PAC.