

Email response from Zachary Zappone: PDC Case 99799

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To: "PDC Support" <pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov>

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Hi -

I have been accused of violating RCW 42.17A.555 for use of Spokane School District facilities for political purposes. This is not true.

I called the PDC at the beginning of my campaign to determine what I was allowed to do and not do. I was told that I am allowed to be outside on public property to film a commercial - just as if I was in a public park or on the public right of way. That is what I did by standing outside on the sidewalk in front of the high school.

The second image is inside a classroom. This is not a school district classroom. The PDC told me that I could use a space that was publicly available like a library or a community center. I filmed that scene at the MLK Center, according to those guidelines. This is not filmed at a Spokane School District facility.

Finally, the students involved in this scene reached out to me through my internship and volunteer page on my campaign website. I did not use class time to recruit students or ask them to be in my videos.

As stated, I wanted to make sure I did not violate RCW 42.17A.555. So I consulted with the PDC before campaigning and did not use Spokane Public School District facilities for any part of the filming to make this ad.

Please let me know if you have further questions or require further documentation.

Best,  
Zack

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