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November 15, 2021

Delivered electronically to breenelson@hotmail.com, dctarantino@gmail.com and farrahdavis25@gmail.com

Subject: PDC Cases 100314, 100315, 100316, complaint filed by Preston Ossman

Dear Farrah Manning Davis, Dawn Tarantino, and Bree Kramer Nelson:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Preston Ossman concerning a complaint filed October 27, 2021 with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted in the letter to, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and WAC 390-37-070 and will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

If you have questions, contact Alice Fiman toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

/s

Alice Fiman
Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

/s

Kim Bradford
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Delivered electronically to preston.ossman@gmail.com

Subject: Complaint regarding Farrah Manning Davis, Dawn Tarantino, and Bree Kramer Nelson, PDC Cases 100314, 100315, 100316

Dear Preston Ossman:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint you filed October 27, 2021. The complaint alleged Farrah Manning Davis, Dawn Tarantino, and Bree Kramer Nelson violated WAC 390-16-125 by exceeding the expenditure limit for mini-reporting.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations, evidence you provided, applicable statutes and rules, and the responses provided by Farrah Manning Davis, Dawn Tarantino, and Bree Kramer Nelson to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found:

- Farrah Manning Davis, Dawn Tarantino, and Bree Kramer Nelson were 2021 candidates for South Whidbey School Board. None of the candidates were elected.
- The complaint alleged a mailer featuring the candidates cost close to \$10,000 and, in conjunction with other expenditures, would have required the candidates to exceed the mini reporting limits during the 2021 election.
- The mini reporting option is available to candidates who will raise and spend no more than \$5,000, in addition to the amount spent on their filing fee, and who will receive no more than \$500 from any one contributor other than themselves. A candidate who chooses mini reporting is not required to file contribution and expenditure reports but must file a registration statement and keep records of their contributions and expenditures.
- All three candidates responded to the allegation and each provided documents showing the mailer cost a total of \$1761.86 to print and postage cost a total of \$1,995.
- The responses stated the printing cost and mailing cost was split equally among the candidates, with the total cost to each candidate for printing was \$587.29 and the total cost to each for postage was \$665.

- All three candidates responded to the allegation of exceeding mini-reporting, stating those costs, plus other election-related expenditures, did not total more than \$5,000.

PDC staff has determined, in this instance, the alleged violations of WAC 390-16-125 by exceeding the expenditure limit for mini-reporting does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and WAC 390-37-070.

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