



## PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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October 27, 2022

Delivered electronically to Ozzie Knezovich at "ozzieknezovich@gmail.com"

Subject: Brief Enforcement Hearing Notice; PDC Case Number 105472

Dear Sheriff Knezovich:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) is investigating a complaint filed on March 7, 2022 by Paul Dillon. The original complaint and additional information added by PDC staff, alleges that you violated: (1) RCW 42.17A.555 by using the public facilities of the Spokane County Sheriff's Office to oppose Amber Waldref, a candidate for Spokane County Commissioner in the 2022 election; and (2) RCW 42.17A.635(2) for engaging in prohibited indirect lobbying by encouraging members of the public to contact legislators regarding legislative changes.

In accordance with RCW 42.17A.110 and RCW 42.17A.755, a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing) has been scheduled to determine if you violated RCW 42.17A.555 and RCW 42.17A.635(2). Under the Brief Enforcement Hearing rules, the Presiding Officer has the authority to assess a civil penalty in accordance with WAC 390-37-143, a penalty schedule adopted by the Commission (see enclosed copy).

### **HEARING INFORMATION**

Date and time:	<b>Thursday, November 17, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.</b>
Place:	Remotely from Olympia Live Audio and Online Transmission
Presiding Officer:	Fred Jarrett, Chair, Public Disclosure Commission
Authority:	RCW 42.17A and WAC 390

## HOW TO AVOID THE HEARING

To avoid the Brief Enforcement Hearing, please take all the following steps:

Mail the following items to the PDC so they are postmarked on or before **November 11, 2022**:

- A signed *Statement of Understanding* (blank form enclosed); and
- A check or money order in the amount of \$200 for the late-filed report, made payable to “Washington State Treasurer”

Please mail the signed *Statement of Understanding* and \$200 payment to the following address:

**Public Disclosure Commission  
PO Box 40908  
Olympia, WA 98504-0908**

## **PARTICIPATING IN THE HEARING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

The Brief Enforcement Hearing will be audio and video recorded. The Presiding Officer and PDC Staff will attend in-person or remotely via Microsoft Teams videoconferencing platform.

➤ **PLEASE READ the entire instructions below *prior to the day of the hearing* if you plan to participate via MS Teams.**

Please note that you may be prompted to download the MS Teams app or use a supported browser (Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome) for best performance.

Anyone wishing to participate in the hearing remotely must follow the instructions below and join the meeting on a computer or mobile app **promptly at 1:00 p.m. on November 17, 2022**. Please remain in the meeting until the Presiding Officer calls your name and case number. After your case has been heard, you may leave or stay in the meeting.

*Please note that you must stay muted at all times except while your case is being heard.*

**Join on your computer or mobile app:**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

If you are unable to use Teams or experience technical difficulties, please call the PDC’s main number 1-360-753-1111 to obtain information regarding alternate participation by telephone. you.

If you have any questions about the hearing process prior to the hearing date, please contact Jennifer Hansen by email at [pdcc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdc.wa.gov) – and be sure to reference your case number in the subject line of the email.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Hansen  
Compliance Officer



Enclosures

- Statement of Understanding
- PDC Penalty Schedule