

Respondent Name
Alex Ramel
Complainant Name
Glen Morgan
Complaint Description
<p><u>Glen Morgan</u> (Tue, 31 May 2022 at 6:07 PM) To whom it may concern,</p> <p>It has recently come to my attention that Representative Alex Ramel (40th Legislative District) has violated campaign disclosure laws per RCW 42.17A, during his current 2022 campaign for the Washington State Legislature. The violations are explained below.</p> <p>1. Willfully accepting campaign contributions from international corporations owned and controlled entirely by international organizations (Violation of RCW 42.17A.417(1), RCW 42.17A.005(24), WAC 390-16-330, WAC 390-16-335)</p> <p>Alex Ramel appears to have accepted a maximum contribution of \$2,000 from a major out of state corporation entirely controlled by an international organization. I have attached the Ramel campaign's C3 (See attached) which reflect this \$2,000 contribution made by out of state corporation Cypress Creek Renewables on May 20, 2022. This is an illegal contribution by an out of state corporation entirely owned by an international corporate conglomerate entity based in Europe.</p> <p>As evidence, see the attached press release issued by the Cypress Creek Corporation dated October 8, 2021 proudly announcing their sale to an out of state mega corporate conglomerate named "EQT Infrastructure." If you look at EQT's website, you can see, linked below:</p> <p>EQT Infrastructure website linked here (EQT - A passion for future-proofing companies (eqtgroup.com))</p> <p>This website includes the statement "A purpose-driven global investment organization © EQT AB 2022. EQT AB (PUBL). REGISTRATED OFFICE IN STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN. REGISTRATION NUMBER: 556849-4180." EQT's website lists Cypress Creek in its portfolio.</p> <p>So, right now Alex Ramel's political campaign, to our knowledge, isn't funded by the Russians or Chinese, but he is encouraging his campaign to be illegally funded by other international mega corporations like this one with clear evidence of this contribution made on the C3 financial disclosure report attached.</p> <p>Ramel can't pretend to claim ignorance about this law, either. He voted specifically for this law when he voted for Substitute Senate Bill 6152 on March 4, 2020 (See Roll Call). Now, it could very well be that Alex Ramel just believes the laws he votes for should only apply to the rest of us little people and that they shouldn't apply to him. However, I disagree and I believe that even Alex Ramel should be required to follow the same laws he helps inflict on the rest of the state, including the one he chose to violate this time.</p> <p>I will also point out that Alex Ramel considers himself particularly qualified to make suggestions to the PDC on how to do their job better and has provided additional suggestions for how the PDC should be more aggressive with some of their policies. Please note, for the record, Ramel testified before the PDC on August 2, 2021 (linked here). Someone like this should not be cashing international corporate campaign checks and attempting to fund his campaign from these known illegal sources.</p>

2. Falsely representing to own a corporation which no longer exists. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.710, RCW 42.17A.710).

Ramel also appears to have **disclosed some false information in his Financial Disclosure filings** (F1 attached) this last year. For example, **he claims to be a “100%” owner of a for profit corporation called “100% possible, LLC.” It is probably 100% possible that at some time in the past, Ramel was a 100% owner of the “100% possible, LLC.”** However, during the 2021 calendar year covered by the F1 Ramel filed with the PDC (linked below), it is also **100% true that this organization did not officially exist.**

In fact, it does appear that on July 3, 2020 (almost two years ago), according to the Secretary of State's website this entity was administratively dissolved, and there is no public evidence it exists in any fashion today. It is unclear why Alex Ramel is pretending to be associated with this entity which no longer exists, and it isn't clear why he provided this false information to the PDC and to the general public with his F1 reports, but this was also 100% his choice.

All we can determine at this point is that **Alex Ramel is with 100% certainty a lawbreaker when it comes to our campaign finance laws.**

Feel free to let me know if you need additional information on this one.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

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

The public has a right to know when a state legislator lies on his financial affairs reports and when he accepts foreign cash from international mega corporations attempting to influence local elections.

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

See attached

List of potential witnesses

The candidate is worth visiting.

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.

Financial Affairs Disclosure - Washington State Public Disclosure Commission

Alex Ramel

Covering January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

Candidacies:

STATE REPRESENTATIVE - LEG DISTRICT 40 - HOUSE - State Representative Pos. 2 - 2022 General

* Unless otherwise indicated, all reported information pertains to Alex Ramel.

Submitted date: 3/17/2022

Certified by: Alex Ramel

Email:

AlexWRamel@gmail.com

SUBMISSION HISTORY

Income

Reportable income, including wages, tips, sales commissions, stock options, non-investment retirement income and miscellaneous income such as legal judgments, rental property income, etc.:

Stand.earth

1329 N State Street #302

Bellingham, WA 98225

Earned by: Alex Ramel

Income: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Type: Policy Advisor

Washington State

PO Box 40600

Olympia, WA 98504

Earned by: Alex Ramel

Income: \$30,000.00 to \$59,999.00

Type: STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Assets

Financial assets and interest income are reported from bank accounts, insurance policies, broker-directed investment accounts, self-directed investment accounts and other financial assets:

Watcom Educational Credit Union

PO Box 9750

Bellingham, WA 98227

Account owner: Alex Ramel

Type: Savings Account

Income: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Value: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Vanguard

PO Box 2600

Valley Forge, PA 19482

Account owner: Alex Ramel

Type: 401K

Value: \$30,000.00 to \$59,999.00

Dream Ahead

P.O. Box 9661

Providence, RI 02940

Account owner: Alex Ramel

Type: College Savings Plan

Value: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Northwest Mutual

PO Box 88245

Milwaukee, WI 53288

Account owner: Alex Ramel

Type: Life

Value: \$30,000.00 to \$59,999.00

Vanguard

PO Box 3009

Monroe, WI 53566

Account owner: Alex Ramel

Type: various stocks

Value: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Real estate

Real estate owned in the state of Washington:

414 Boulevard #206

Bellingham, WA 98225

Owned by: Alex Ramel

Assessed value: \$200,000.00 to \$499,999.00

Mortgage held by: Whatcom Educational Credit Union

PO BOX 9750

Bellingham,, WA 98227

Original amount: \$200,000.00 to \$499,999.00

Current amount: \$200,000.00 to \$499,999.00

Security given: mortgage 20% down

Payment terms: 30 years at 4.5%

Debt

Creditors owed more than \$2,400:

Creditor name: Northwestern Mutual

Owed by: Alex Ramel

PO BOX 88245

Milwaukee, WI 53288

Original amount: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Ending amount: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Payment terms: 3 year 5.25%

Security given: borrowed against universal life policy

Business associations

Business entities where Alex Ramel owns 10 percent or more, or serves as an officer, director or general partner.

100% Possible LLC (Alex Ramel)

414 Boulevard #206

Bellingham WA 98225

consulting

100% ownership

Government Payments

No payments were received by 100% Possible LLC from a government agency where Alex Ramel sought or held office.

Other Government Payments

No payments were received by 100% Possible LLC in excess of \$12,000 from a government agency where Alex Ramel **did not** seek or hold office.

Business Payments

No payments were received by 100% Possible LLC in excess of \$12,000 from any business customer.

Lobbying activity

Compensation received for lobbying activities:

Lobbyist: Alex Ramel

Lobbied for: Stand.earth

Purpose: Advocacy for policies related to environmental issues - CA legislature, local governments. Well under 10% of my time.

Compensation: \$0.00 to \$29,999.00

Gifts

Gifts of food and beverages worth more than \$50, and travel or seminar expenses made by any outside government agency:

Recipient: Alex Ramel

Donor name: Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee
Seattle,, WA

Description: Hotel stay and meals for 2-day conference in Seattle, September 2021

Value: \$400.00

2021-09-27



711 Capitol Way Suite 206
PO Box 40908 Olympia, WA 98504-0908
(360) 753-1111
Toll Free 1-800-601-2828

**CASH RECEIPTS MONETARY
CONTRIBUTIONS**

C3

Alex Ramel
People For Alex Ramel
PO Box 9100
Seattle, WA 98109
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
LEG DISTRICT 40 - HOUSE

Deposit date: 2022-05-20
Report number: 110086962
Submitted date: 2022-05-22

1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date received		Amount	Total
	a. Anonymous	None reported	\$50.00
	b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c)	None reported	None reported
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements (Schedule L)	None reported	
2022-05-20	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other)	None reported	
	e. Small contributions \$25 or less not itemized	None reported	

2. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT: \$3,500.00

Corresponds to amount on line 1, Schedule A to C4, and itemized below

3. ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS OVER \$25

Date received	Contributor (Name and address)	Contributions over \$100 Employer and address	Amount	Aggregate total
2022-05-20	AFT WA COPE 604 Oakesdale Avenue Southwest #103 Renton, WA 98057		\$300.00	Primary \$300.00
2022-05-20	Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC 3402 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405		\$1,000.00	Primary \$1,000.00
2022-05-20	Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC 3402 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405		\$1,000.00	General \$1,000.00
2022-05-20	Rofkar Barbara Z 520 17th Street Bellingham, WA 98225		\$100.00	Primary \$100.00
2022-05-20	Rofkar George A 520 17th Street Bellingham, WA 98225		\$100.00	Primary \$100.00
2022-05-20	WA Federation of State Employees 1212 Jefferson Street Southeast Suite 30 Olympia, WA 98501		\$1,000.00	Primary \$1,000.00

Date of deposit
2022-05-20

I certify this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge
Treasurer's signature and date
Jason Bennett - 2022-05-22



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Cypress Creek announces close of sale to EQT

New chapter centers around our mission of Powering a Sustainable Future, One Project at a Time

Cypress Creek Renewables is pleased to share that EQT Infrastructure's **acquisition** (<https://ccrenew.com/news/welcome-eqt-to-the-cypress-creek-team/>) of Cypress Creek Renewables has closed. EQT is now the sole owner of Cypress Creek, a leading vertically integrated renewable energy platform.

With EQT Infrastructure's solid backing, Cypress Creek will accelerate its role in creating and operating projects to support the energy transition. We will continue to expand and differentiate our solar and energy storage Development and O&M Services businesses, while also growing our Fleet, with a focus on operational excellence and continuous improvement.

"We now enter a new and exciting chapter for Cypress Creek at a time of national focus on climate change action and dramatic growth for the renewable energy industry," said Sarah Slusser, CEO of Cypress Creek Renewables. "With EQT, we are pleased to have a partner enthusiastically aligned with our mission of powering a sustainable future, one project at a time."

Cypress Creek operates across 25 states and owns a 1.6GW operating fleet. We have grown to be one of the largest solar O&M service providers with over half our 3.8GW portfolio managed on behalf of more than a dozen customers. Our experience and expertise across a project's entire lifecycle make us better solar and energy storage developers, operators, and owners.

The photo above is of a 75MW solar project owned and operated by Cypress Creek in North Carolina.



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