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Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding
Barry Bush: PDC Case 114628

I, Barry Bush, hereby acknowledge:
(Barry Bush)

During election year 2022, while a candidate for Benton County Commissioner, I violated: (1) WAC 390-16-125 by exceeding mini reporting limitations; (2) RCW 42.17A.205 for failure to timely file an amended Candidate Registration (C-1 report) changing from Mini Reporting to Full Reporting; and (3) RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failure to timely file Monetary Contribution Reports (C-3 reports) and Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure Reports (C-4 reports) as required for a Candidate required to be under full reporting.

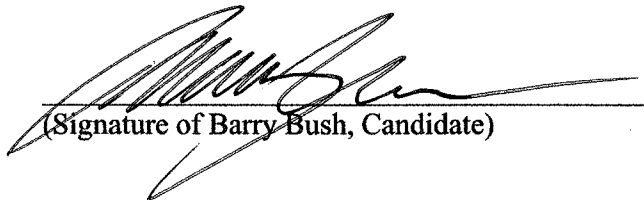
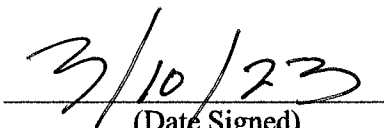
The facts are as follows:

- The 2022 Bush Campaign received \$5,511.44 in cash and in-kind contributions and expended \$5,509.22. The Campaign initially exceeded the \$5,000 total contribution limit for campaigns registered under the "Mini Reporting" option on June 21, 2022, after depositing \$3,000 in monetary contributions.
- Between June 8, 2022, and July 28, 2022, I worked with Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) staff on behalf of the 2022 Bush Campaign to amend and file numerous C3 and C4 reports to bring the campaign into full reporting compliance, but the filings were not completed, and I stopped responding to PDC staff.
- On August 5, 2022, PDC staff sent a letter informing me that my request to change from "Mini Reporting" to the Full Reporting" option for the primary election was denied because my application was not completed timely, meaning by the deadline of June 21, 2022, per WAC 390-16-125(2). Also at this time, PDC staff informed me that a review of the Monetary Contribution reports (C-3 reports) and Summary Campaign Full Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports) filed by my Campaign disclosed contributions received exceeded the \$5,000 limitations of the "Mini Reporting" option. I was notified by PDC staff that I exceeded the limits of the "Mini Reporting" option, and I verbally acknowledged the apparent violations.

- On December 22, 2022, PDC Staff opened a complaint against the 2022 Barry Allen Bush Campaign alleging receipt and expenditure of campaign contributions in excess of the \$5,000 mini reporting limitations and late and inaccurate filing of C-3 & C-4 reports.
- Between January 20, 2023, and March 6, 2023, I worked with PDC staff to amend and file numerous C3 and C4 reports brining the campaign into full reporting compliance.

I would like to avoid the time and expense resulting from a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing). Therefore, in lieu of a hearing, I acknowledge that I violated Washington law as described above and agree to enter into this Statement of Understanding to resolve this case with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC). Further, in accordance with the Penalty Schedule set forth in WAC 390-37-143, I agree to pay a \$300 civil total penalty (\$150 for exceeding mini reporting limits and \$150 for late filed C-3 and C-4 reports) for violating WAC 390-16-125, RCW 42.17A.235 and .240.

By signing this Statement of Understanding, I acknowledge that I violated RCW 42.17A.205, RCW 42.17A.235, RCW 42.17A.240 & WAC 390-16-125 and waive my right to a hearing in this matter. I further understand that by signing this Statement of Understanding and paying \$300 civil penalty, PDC Case no. 114628 is resolved.

	
(Signature of Barry Bush, Candidate)	(Date Signed)

Please make your check or money order payable to the “Washington State Treasurer” and be sure to include PDC Case number 114628 in the memorandum field, and mail this Statement of Understanding along with your payment/check to the PDC at the following address:

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