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July 21, 2023

Delivered electronically to AnnaLisa LaFayette at “sogni.viventi@gmail.com”

Subject: Complaint filed by Robert Parker, PDC Case 137899

Dear AnnaLisa LaFayette:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Robert Parker concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

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

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), this serves as a formal written warning concerning your failure to comply with the filing requirements noted in the enclosed letter sent to Mr. Parker. Staff expects you to file all required campaign reports and the Personal Financial Affairs Statement in future years should you become a candidate. The Commission will consider this formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Jennifer Hansen at 1-360-586-4560 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed

Jennifer Hansen
Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

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Peter Frey Lavalley
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Subject: Complaint regarding AnnaLisa LaFayette, PDC Case 137899

Dear Robert Parker:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on May 30, 2023. The complaint alleged that AnnaLisa LaFayette, a candidate for Seattle City Council in the 2023 election, may have violated RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to file the Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by the Respondent; the applicable PDC reports filed by the Respondent; queried the Respondent's status as a candidate appearing on the 2023 ballot; and examined other relevant information, to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- On January 9, 2023, AnnaLisa LaFayette submitted a Candidate Registration Statement (C-1 report) declaring candidacy for Seattle City Council in the 2023 election, selecting the "Full Reporting" option and listing themselves as Treasurer and the only officer.
- RCW 42.17A.005(8) includes a definition of the term "candidate", stating in relevant part, that it includes an individual who seeks nomination or election when they announce publicly or file for office.
- The term "candidate" is then used in RCW 42.17A.700(2) which requires the F-1 report to be submitted within two weeks of becoming a candidate.
- The Respondent was required to submit the F-1 report within two weeks of submitting the C-1 report and becoming a candidate. The F-1 report was due by no later January 23, 2023.
- The Respondent did not file a Declaration of Candidacy with the Secretary of State's office in May 2023 and their name will not appear on the ballot.
- AnnaLisa LaFayette did not provide a response to the complaint but has the status "withdrew" on the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission's website.

AnnaLisa LaFayette is a first-time candidate and has no prior violations. It appears that after they submitted the C-1 report in January 2023, they decided not to continue their campaign for Seattle City Council and did not file to have their name placed on the ballot.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to file the F-1 report within two weeks of becoming a candidate in the 2023 election does not amount to a finding of a violation that warrants further investigation.

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), however, AnnaLisa LaFayette will receive a formal written warning concerning failure to file the F-1 report within two weeks of becoming a candidate in the 2023 election. The formal written warning will include staff's expectation that the Respondent file all required campaign reports and the Personal Financial Affairs Statement in future years should they become a candidate again. The Commission will consider the formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

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).

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cc: AnnaLisa LaFayette