



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Delivered electronically to boegart@gmail.com and cg.edwards53@gmail.com

Subject: PDC Case 151233 regarding Boegart Boardman Bibby

Dear Boegart Boardman Bibby:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of a complaint filed by Conner Edwards on February 20, 2024. The complaint alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failing to timely and accurately disclose contributions and expenditures on PDC reports for election year 2023, specifically the post-Primary C-4 report.

Applicable Laws & Rules

- Candidates are required to register pursuant to [RCW 42.17A.205](#) by filing a *Candidate Registration* (C-1 report) with the PDC within two weeks of candidacy.
- A candidate that selects the Full Reporting option on their C-1 report is required to report contributions and expenditures to the PDC on *Cash Receipts Monetary Contributions* reports (C-3 reports) and *Campaign Summary Receipts & Expenditures* reports (C-4 reports) pursuant to [RCW 42.17A.235](#) & [RCW 42.17A.240](#). The due dates for these reports are based upon the election cycle, the candidate's election participation, and their financial activity.

Background & Findings

- You were a candidate for election year 2023 who ran for City Council Member of the City of Seattle and lost in the 2023 Primary Election. There was a \$1,374 candidate filing fee associated with the *Declaration of Candidacy* you submitted to Elections for this position on May 19, 2023.
- You timely registered as a candidate with the PDC on May 22, 2023, selected the Full Reporting option on your C-1 report (*Candidate Registration*), and served as your own Treasurer.
- On April 4, 2024, you filed a post-Primary C-4 report covering July 25, 2023 through August 31, 2023 that disclosed carryforward amounts for outstanding loans you made to your own campaign in May. Your campaign indicated there were no contributions received, nor expenditures made, during the reporting period.

- On April 24, 2024, you filed a C-4 report for the month of September of 2023 disclosing loans forgiven and repaid. No other activity was reported.
 - Your campaign disclosed a total of \$1,644.81 in monetary and in-kind contributions and loans received and \$1,534.81 in total expenditures made for election year 2023.
- You first responded to the complaint by email on May 7, 2024 and indicated you had completed all the necessary filings and were compliant with PDC reporting requirements.
- An Initial Hearing (Case Status Review) was held for this case on May 13, 2024.
- On May 30, 2024, you provided a written response to the complaint and said this was your first campaign, you did not have any assistance, and your noncompliance “was truly a rookie mistake.” You indicated that you submitted everything as soon as you were notified of the missing reports and would not make this error again in the future.
- You do not have previous warnings/violations of PDC requirements.

Summary and Resolution

Noncompliance appears to be the result of a good-faith omission and lack of familiarity with PDC reporting requirements and the Online Reporting of Campaign Activities (ORCA) system.

You are a first-time filer, which is a mitigating factor. The relatively small size of your campaign and modest expenditures in 2023 are also mitigating factors in this case. It is further noted that the minimal nature of your financial activity would have qualified you to choose the Mini Reporting option on your *Committee Registration* (C-1pc report), relieving you of the requirement to file C-3 and C-4 reports with the PDC in 2023.

However, pursuant to [WAC 390-37-060\(1\)\(d\)](#), this serves as a formal written warning concerning your failure to timely disclose all contribution and expenditures. PDC staff expect you to timely file all future required reports of contributions and expenditures. The Commission will consider this 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 has dismissed this matter in accordance with [RCW 42.17A.755\(1\)](#).

If you have questions, you may contact Tabatha Blacksmith at 1-360-753-1111, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdcc@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed by Tabatha Blacksmith
 Tabatha Blacksmith
 Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

Electronically signed by Peter Frey Lavallee
 Peter Frey Lavallee
 Executive Director

cc: Conner Edwards