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August 9, 2024

And delivered electronically to [Leon@leonlawson.com](mailto:Leon@leonlawson.com)

Subject: PDC Order, Case 155473

Dear Leon Anon Lawson,

Enclosed is a copy of the Public Disclosure Commission's Order Imposing Fine that was entered in the above-referenced case.

At the July 11, 2024, Brief Enforcement hearing, the Presiding Officer assessed a total civil penalty of \$150, of which \$25 is suspended, in accordance with WAC 390-37-143. The \$125 non-suspended penalty is payable within 30 days of the date of this Order, which is **September 9, 2024**.

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A payment link will be sent to you, in which you will need to provide the following information: (1) Case Number; and (2) Respondent Name. **Please note, processing fees may apply.**

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions, please contact us by email at [pdc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdc@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

*Electronically Signed by JORDAN CAMPBELL*

PDC Staff

Enclosure: Initial Order



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BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

In Re: Compliance with RCW 42.17A

PDC Case 155473

Leon Anon Lawson,

Respondent.

Findings of Fact,  
Conclusions of Law, and  
**Order Imposing Fine**

Pursuant to the brief enforcement hearing (brief adjudicative proceeding) notice sent to Leon Anon Lawson, dated June 18, 2024, a brief adjudicative proceeding was held on July 11, 2024, remotely from Olympia, WA by live audio and online transmission, to consider whether the Respondent violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to file or timely file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report), disclosing personal financial information for the preceding twelve months, which was due to be filed within two weeks of candidacy or no later than May 24, 2024.

The hearing was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 RCW, 42.17A RCW and Chapter 390-37 WAC. Commission Chair Allen Hayward was the Presiding Officer and Commissioner J. Leach attended. Commission staff was represented by Compliance Coordinators Colin Peebles and Jordan Campbell. The Respondent did not participate in the hearing or submit any written material.

Having considered the evidence, the Presiding Officer finds as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Respondent is or was a candidate for GOVERNOR for State of Washington.
2. As a candidate, the Respondent was required to file an F-1 report by May 24, 2024.
3. The Respondent filed the F-1 report after the hearing notice, but before the enforcement hearing.
4. The Respondent has no prior violations.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above facts, as a matter of law, the Presiding Officer concludes as follows:

1. This matter was duly and properly convened, and all jurisdictional, substantive, and procedural requirements have been satisfied.
2. The Respondent violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to timely file the F-1 report by May 24, 2024.

ORDER

ON the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,

1. **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Respondent is assessed a total civil penalty of \$ 150, in accordance with the candidate F-1 penalty schedule set forth in WAC 390-37-143.
2. It is further ordered that \$25 of the \$150 penalty is suspended on the following conditions:
  - a. The Respondent does not commit any further violations of Chapter 42.17A RCW or Title 390 WAC within four years of the date of this Order. The suspended penalty shall not be assessed based solely upon any remediable violation, minor violation, or error classified by the Commission as appropriate to address by a technical correction.
  - b. The Respondent pays the \$125 non-suspended civil penalty within 30 days of the date of this Order.
3. It is further ordered that, if the Respondent fails to comply with any of the above conditions:
  - a. The full \$150 penalty shall immediately become due without further action by the Commission and PDC Staff is directed to refer the matter to collections and/or commence other legal proceedings as authorized by RCW 42.17A and 390 WAC.

This is an **Initial Order** of the Public Disclosure Commission.

Entered this 9th Day of August, 2024.

Public Disclosure Commission

Electronically signed by Peter Frey Lavallee  
Peter Frey Lavallee  
Executive Director

I, JORDAN CAMPBELL, certify that I emailed and mailed a copy of this order to the Respondent at their respective addresses of record on the date stated herein.

Electronically Signed JORDAN CAMPBELL  
Signed

August 9, 2024  
Date

# APPEALS OF INITIAL ORDER

## REVIEW OF INITIAL ORDER - BY THE COMMISSION

You may request that the full Commission review this initial order. To seek review, you must:

- Make the request by email, stating the reason for review, and identifying what alleged errors are contained in the initial order. *See* WAC 390-37-144(1).
- All requests for review must be submitted electronically to [pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov).

**REQUESTS FOR REVIEW MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSION WITHIN TWENTY-ONE (21) CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE THIS INITIAL ORDER WAS ELECTRONICALLY DISTRIBUTED TO YOU.**

If review of this initial order is timely requested, the full Commission will hear the matter. If the Commission is unable to schedule a meeting to consider the request within twenty (20) calendar days, this initial order becomes a final order, and any request for review will automatically be considered a request for reconsideration of a final order. *See* WAC 390-37-144(4). The matter would then be scheduled for consideration and disposition at the next Commission meeting at which it is practicable to do so.

A Respondent does not need to pay a penalty until after the Commission rules on a request for review of an initial order.

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## FURTHER APPEAL RIGHTS – SUPERIOR COURT

If the Commission does not receive a request for review of this initial order within twenty-one (21) calendar days, the initial order shall be the FINAL ORDER. *See* WAC 390-37-142(7).

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL A FINAL ORDER TO SUPERIOR COURT, PURSUANT TO THE PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW PROVISIONS OF RCW 34.05.542.**