Respondent Name

Ace Haynes

Complainant Name

Conner Edwards

Complaint Description

Conner Edwards reported via the portal (Fri, 19 Jul 2024 at 12:00 AM)

Description of Complaint

This candidate failed to file their 21-day C4 report. Mr. Haynes' name appeared first in the list of candidates who had failed to timely file this report prior to the primary.

See link: https://pdc.wa.gov/news/2024/ninety-candidates-receive-overdue-notices-missing-reporting-deadline

Notice to Respondent

I apologize to you for any inconvenience caused by this complaint.

This complaint is one of hundreds that I have filed to highlight and ultimately fix the significant shortcomings associated with the agency responsible for administering our state's campaign finance laws.

What are these shortcomings?

Overcomplicated and outdated requirements that are difficult to understand and comply with. Failure to properly educate filers about the tasks they must perform to remain in compliance with applicable requirements and avoid complaints. Failure of the agency to send regular reminders to filers about pending deadlines. A failure to proactively enforce applicable requirements which enables the complaint system to become weaponized. Non-intuitive, non-user friendly, and buggy reporting software. Failure to meaningfully enforce core requirements. Failure to follow the best operating practices of other neighboring campaign finance agencies. An agency leadership structure that largely disregards stakeholder input and is slow to identify and resolve major agency deficiencies.

I believe that the best way to motivate the agency to address these problems is by filing a large number of complaints so that the agency's problems become impossible to ignore.

Slowly (too slowly) this strategy is starting to yield concrete and beneficial changes. You can read about these changes here: https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/politics/why-one-man-filed-800-campaign-finance-complaints-against-wa-candidates/

If you believe that the agency could have done something different to help you proactively avoid the issues identified in this complaint, I hope that you will consider including it in your response. The agency, and the public, can benefit from your perspective and feedback.

"Be the change that you wish to see in the world."

— Mahatma Gandhi

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

The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of committees and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the candidates themselves.

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

PDC Website.

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

See respondent contact info on PDC website

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.



The PDC will be closed at 3 p.m. Thursday, July 18 for a staff meeting.



Ninety candidates receive overdue notices for missing reporting deadline

POSTED ON: JULY 17, 2024

UPDATED ON: JULY 18, 2024

The Public Disclosure Commission has sent overdue notices to 90 candidates who appear to have missed the July 16 deadline for mandatory 21-day pre-primary election spending reports.

State law requires candidates who are participating in the primary election and registered as full reporters (required for those who raise and spend more than \$7,000) to file expenditure (C-4) reports 21 and 7 days prior to primary and general election days. Reports are also due on the tenth day of the month following the election.

The 21-day expenditure report due on July 16 covers campaign spending during the period between June 1 and July 15. The PDC maintains a list of <u>filing deadlines</u> and <u>other reporting resources</u> on its website.

The following candidates received notices of possible non-compliance for not filing their 21-day pre-primary expenditure reports by the deadline. Some of the candidates listed have filed their reports since receiving the PDC's notice.

Campaigns that fail to file mandatory reports may be subject to enforcement action. Improving compliance with mandatory expenditure reporting deadlines is one of the Commission's <u>strategic goals</u>.

Candidates / office sought

Ace Harry Haynes - State Senator, Legislative District 23

A.L. Brown - Governor

Ambra Mason – Governor

Anders Tron-Haukebo - Clallam County Commissioner

Ann M Fitzgerald - State Rep., Legislative District 38

Bill Thomas – State Rep., Legislative District 31

Carole Sue Braaten - State Senator, Legislative District 27

Christine Rolfes – Kitsap County Commissioner

Dan B. Christopher – Klickitat County Commissioner

Craig J Gocha – Pierce County Sheriff

Daniel C. Blankenship – Adams County Commissioner

Darin Gregory Harris – Pierce County Sheriff

David Christopher Bren – Grant County Commissioner

David Henderson – Grant County Commissioner

David Stuebe – State Rep., Legislative District 17

David Tobin – Pacific County Commissioner

Mark T. Davies – State Rep., Legislative District 1

Jerome L. Delvin – Benton County Commissioner

Dennis R. Lenz – Asotin County Commissioner

Denny Sandberg – State Senator, Legislative District 10

Don L. Rivers - Governor

Don Stevens – Skamania County Commissioner

Dunia Jonas Wabenga – State Rep., Legislative District 32

F. Dayle Andersen – Superior Court Judge, Spokane County

Franklin M. Dare - Governor

Harold L Palmer Jr – Cowlitz County Commissioner

Heather Pauley – PUD Commissioner, Kitsap PUD 1

Jackie Huey – State Rep., Legislative District 39

Jennifer Hoover - Governor

Jerry W. Rajcich - Grays Harbor County Commissioner

Jesse D. Lamp – Ferry County Prosecutor

Jimmy Sherrell – Douglas County Commissioner

John P. Ley – State Rep., Legislative District 18

Jonathan Welch – San Juan County Council member

Justin Greywolf – State Rep., Legislative District 11

Karen O'Donnell – Clallam County Charter Review Commission

Katherine L Dexter – Clallam County Commissioner

Kenneth E. Simpson – PUD Commissioner, Clallam County PUD

Kristina A. Mitchell – State Rep., Legislative District 21

Leon Anon Lawson - Governor

Lindsey Remund Pollock – Lewis County Commissioner

Lisa R. Blakeney – Ferry County Commissioner

Lori McPherson – State Rep., Legislative District 26

Marc Doney – Okanogan County Commissioner

Marjorie Alumbaugh – Superior Court Judge – Kittitas County

Marnie D Claywell - State Rep., Legislative District 38

Martin L. Wheeler – Governor

Matt McCally – State Rep., Legislative District 37

Melvin Kaleolani Apana – State Rep., Legislative District 20

Albert W. Merkel – State Senator, Legislative District 04

Michael Heath – Okanogan County Commissioner

Michael S. DePaula - Governor

Mike Backman - Wahkiakum County Commissioner

Mike Csapo – Pierce County Sheriff

Montgomery (Monty) Stobart – Stevens County Commissioner

Justin P. Murta – Insurance Commissioner

Paul L. Nuchims – Kitsap County Commissioner

Stephanie O'Day – San Juan County Council member

Oran R Root – Kitsap County Commissioner

Paula Lamanna – Douglas County Commissioner

Paul Harris – State Senator, Legislative District 17

Phyllis E Bernard – PUD Commissioner, Clallam County PUD 1

Randall S Johnson – Clallam County Commissioner

Rita Cole Hall – Pacific County Commissioner

Rob Jones – Grant County Commissioner

Rob Laymon – Thurston County Commissioner

Rosetta Marshall-Williams – Governor

Russell Barber – State Rep., Legislative District 49

Rylee Fleury – Skagit County Commissioner

Sandi Lytle – Clallam County Charter Review Commission

Daniel C. Scott – State Rep., Legislative District 12

Simone Barron – State Rep., Legislative District 46

James Sorensen – Grays Harbor County Commissioner

Stanley I Lippmann – State Rep., Legislative District 41

Stephanie LLoyd-Agnew - State Rep., Legislative District 43

Stephen Jeffrey Wilson – State Senator, Legislative District 19

Steve Ferrell – Cowlitz County Commissioner

Steve Martonick - Superior Court Judge, Whitman County

Steven Thompson – Stevens County Commissioner

Terrah Hatch – Stevens County Commissioner

Theodore W. Jackson – Mason County Commissioner

Christopher R. Thobaben - PUD Commissioner, Clark Public Utilities

Thomas E Dent – State Rep., Legislative District 13

Tim Verzal – Insurance Commissioner

Todd A. Bloom – State Supreme Court Justice

Avrum (Alex) Tsimerman - Governor

Kevin R. Waters – State Rep., Legislative District 17

Wayne Fournier - Thurston County Commissioner

William Boyd – Insurance Commissioner

Zephaniah Borynack - State Rep., Legislative District 39

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Ace Harry Haynes (Ace Haynes)

Candidate for STATE SENATOR for LEG DISTRICT 23 - SENATE in the 2024 election.

<u>Overview</u>	Contributions	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Debts</u>	<u>Loans</u>
Independen	t Expenditures				

Candidate Overview

Candidacy Status

→ Candidate declared (5/10/2024)

Financial Overview

\$0.00\$0.00\$0.00Total spentPledgesDebt

\$0.00 \$0.00

Candidate Reports and Forms

Financial Affairs Report

Surplus Funds Account

Candidates Filed for this Office

Show 10 v entries Search:

* declared candidates (eligible for election)

Candidate	Contributions ▼	Expenditures \$
Drew Hansen *	\$127,897.00	\$17,285.28
Christine Rolfes (Christine Rolfes)	\$46,540.00	\$50,566.83
Lance Byrd *	\$2,625.60	\$2,160.56
Ace Harry Haynes (Ace Haynes)	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Spending for and against this candidate

Independent Expenditures

Independent expenditures are made by third parties that are not part of a candidate's campaign.

No independent expenditures reported.

Campaign Finance Reports See the reports filed by the candidate. Reports with a strikethrough were amended by another report. Show 25 ✓ entries Download 0 rows as CSV. Period **Report Number** Filed **♦** Report **♦** Form Type **\$** Election Year No records found There are no reports available for this campaign **Previous** Next

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