### **Respondent Name**

Eddie Perez

### **Complainant Name**

Conner Edwards

### **Complaint Description**

Conner Edwards reported via the portal (Wed, 21 Aug 2024 at 11:41 AM)

Description of Complaint

On this committee's most recent C4, the committee indicated a negative cash on hand balance of -\$ 1,993.49, see link: https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110234896

This suggests that the committee has failed to properly disclose/report expenditures or contributions.

Additionally, this committee has failed to disclose run dates for the newspaper ads (Yakima Valley Business Times) reported on this C4 (I understand that agency staff believe this is a requirement): https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110234896

Additionally, this candidate appears to have failed to disclose their filing fee, either as an in-kind contribution or an expenditure, see C4 covering part of May: https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110229969

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Overcomplicated and outdated requirements that are difficult to understand and comply with.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.



# **Eddie Perez**

Candidate for STATE REPRESENTATIVE for LEG DISTRICT 14 - HOUSE in the 2024 election.

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### **Candidate Overview**

Registered May 14, 2024 Party: INDEPENDENT

- 2703 3rd street Union Gap, 98903
- edperezjr84@gmail.com

# **Candidacy Status**

- → Candidate registered (5/14/2024)
- → Candidate declared (5/10/2024)

# **Financial Overview**

\$0.00 \$0.00

# **Candidate Reports and Forms**

**Registration Form** 

Financial Affairs Report

**Surplus Funds Account** 

Contributors and Vendors Map

# Made to candidate for 2024

# **Contributions**

See who has contributed cash and in-kind (non-monetary) contributions to the campaign.

# Self \$1,993.49

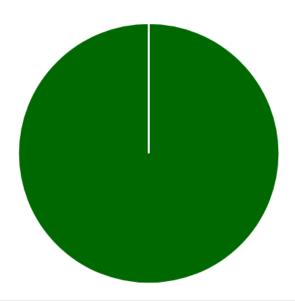
# Made by candidate for 2024

# **Expenditures**

See how the campaign has spent money, and what kind of goods and services it received as in-kind contributions.

# Expenditures made by candidate for 2024

Digital advertising \$1,740.00



# **Candidates Filed for this Position**

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	<b>*</b> declai	igible for election)		
Candidate	<b>\$</b>	Contributions •	Expenditures	<b>\$</b>
Debra Manjarrez (Deb Manjarrez)		\$107,907.77	\$36,855.89	
Ana Ruiz Kennedy *		\$84,440.95	\$76,743.28	

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\$1,993.49

\$6,003.12

\$1,740.00

# Spending for and against this candidate

Gina R. Mosbrucker (Gina Mosbrucker) \$30,450.00

# **Independent Expenditures**

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

No independent expenditures reported.

# **Incurred by candidate**

# **Debts**

This information shows the debt for the campaign as of the submission date of the related report.

# **Campaign Finance Reports**

See the reports filed by the candidate. Reports with a strikethrough were amended by another report.

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