Respondent Name

RentlsTooDamnHighWa.org

Complainant Name

Conner Edwards

Complaint Description

<u>Conner Edwards</u> reported via the portal (Fri, 13 Sep 2024 at 2:55 PM)

Description of Complaint

This committee failed to file this C4 on time: https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110240701

Additionally, it appears that the committee failed to appropriately classify an in-kind loan for "In-Kind Loan to Campaign for Printing at Capitol City Press" which he classified as an in-kind contribution.

Also, I know staff will probably want him to disclose the type of item printed and the quantity printed, so I wanted to point that out as well.

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Overcomplicated and outdated requirements that are difficult to understand and comply with.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



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Committee Information

Registration

July 12, 2024

Treasurer

Kenneth R. Clark 1841 Trosper Rd SW #1 Tumwater, WA, 98512 360-878-8994

Political Committee Type

Continuing Committee

Jurisdiction

None reported.

Committee Address

1841 Trosper Rd SW #4 Tumwater, WA 98512

Phone

360-464-0085

Email

kyletaylorlucas@msn.com

Financial Information

Campaign Starting Balance

\$156.00

Contributions Amount

\$5,030.14

Loans Amount

\$0.00

Total Receipts

\$5,186.14

Expenditures

\$4,350.62

<u>Pledges</u>

\$0.00

Debts

\$0.00

Made to committee for 2024

Contributions

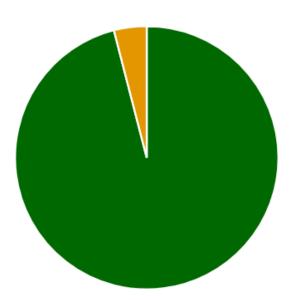
See who has contributed cash and in-kind (non-monetary) contributions to the committee.

Contributions made to committee for 2024

Individual \$4,828.14

Other

\$202.00



Made by committee for 2024

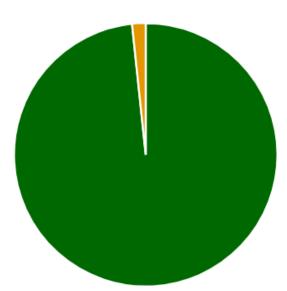
Expenditures

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

Expenditures made by committee for 2024

Inkind contribution \$4,278.14

Not Provided \$72.48



Made to committee

<u>Loans</u>

See loans received, forgiven or paid by the campaign.

\$0.00

Held by committee

Debts

See the campaign's debt reporting history.

Campaign Finance Reports

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

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08/01/2024 - 08/01/2024		110236082		08/05/2024	<u>View</u> <u>Report</u>		C3		2024	
08/01/2024 - 08/31/2024		110244785		09/11/2024	<u>View</u> <u>Report</u>		C4		2024	
07/05/2024 - 07/05/2024		110229912		07/15/2024	<u>View</u> <u>Report</u>		C3		2024	
07/01/2024 - 07/31/2024		110240701		08/27/2024	<u>View</u> <u>Report</u>		C4		2024	
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