



State of Washington

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding

Maggie Yates

PDC Case 160532

I, Maggie Yates, hereby acknowledge that, during election year 2022, while a candidate running for election to the position of County Commissioner for Spokane County, I violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to timely and accurately file Summary Full Campaign Contributions and Expenditures reports (C-4 reports).

The facts are as follows:

- I was a candidate for Spokane County Commissioner during the 2022 election and my name appeared on the November 8, 2022, General Election.
- As a candidate registered under the “Full Reporting” option and appearing on the 2022 General Election, I was required to file the Post Election C-4 report covering November 1 - 30, 2022, by no later than December 12, 2022.
- I submitted the Post Election C-4 report 610 days late on August 13, 2024, disclosing \$47,658.24 in total expenditures.

I would like to avoid the time and expense of a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing). Therefore, in lieu of a hearing, I acknowledge that I violated Washington State law as described above and agree to enter into this *Statement of Understanding* (SOU) to resolve the above matter with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

In accordance with the Penalty Schedule adopted by the Commission for Brief Enforcement Hearings set forth in WAC 390-37-143, I agree to pay a \$150 penalty for acknowledged violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failing to timely and accurately file C-4 reports during election year 2022.

I understand that, by signing this SOU, I acknowledge the violation of Chapter 42.17A RCW and Title 390 WAC set forth above and waive my right to a hearing in this matter. I further understand that signing this SOU and returning it to the PDC with a payment for the \$150 civil penalty will resolve the issue of my failure to timely and accurately file C-4 reports for election year 2022 indicated above.



Maggie Yates

11/14/2024

Date Signed

The signed Statement of Understanding (SOU) and \$AMT penalty payment is due by **DATE**. See the options below for how to continue with either online, by mail, or in-person processing.

Electronic Payment Option

Please be aware, processing fees may apply. To start the process for making an online payment, do the following:

Email an electronic copy of the signed SOU to the Compliance Officer assigned to your case.

- A photo or scan of the signed SOU is acceptable. Do make sure that all parts of the SOU are within focus and readable.
- To email the signed SOU to your Compliance Officer, reply directly to the last email you had with the Compliance Officer and attach the document.
- The Compliance Officer must receive the signed SOU no later than **DATE**.
 - o A signed SOU is required for the terms of the agreement to be fulfilled.
 - o If we do not receive the SOU, your case will be scheduled for the next available Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (BAP). If this occurs, the Commission's Presiding Officer will hear the case.
 - o If you send the SOU and payment electronically, you DO NOT need to mail a hard copy of the SOU to your Compliance Officer

Once the SOU is received, PDC staff will email a payment link and further instructions about how to make a payment.

- You must send the payment, via the link, no later than **DATE**.

Mail or In-Person Payment Option

To pay by check or money order, make the payment payable to "Washington State Treasurer," write your PDC Case Number in the Memo field, and mail or deliver the payment **and your signed SOU** to one of the addresses listed below, no later than **DATE**.

Regular mail:

Public Disclosure Commission
PO Box 40908
Olympia, WA 98504-0908

Overnight mail or in-person delivery:

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