

## State of Washington PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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November 1, 2024

Delivered electronically to matthew.a.hepner@gmail.com.

Subject: Complaint filed by Conner Edwards, PDC Case 161589

Dear Matthew Hepner:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Conner Edwards concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted in the letter to Conner Edwards, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with WAC 390-37-060 and will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

If you have questions, you may contact Colin Peeples at 1-360-753-1111 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdc@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed by Colin Peeples

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Subject: Complaint regarding Matthew Hepner, PDC Case 161589

Dear Conner Edwards:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on September 16, 2024. The complaint alleged that:

• Violations of RCW 42.17A.235, .240 and .405 for failure to timely file contribution (C-3) reports and accepting over-limit contributions.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the applicable PDC reports filed by the Respondent; and other relevant information to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- Matthew Hepner (the Respondent) filed a single (C-3) report late but was otherwise substantially compliant.
- Candidates for Public Utility Districts are not subject to contribution limits.

Any violation that may have occurred was minor and has been cured. After consideration of the circumstances, further proceedings would not serve the purposes of this chapter. Under WAC 390-37-060, the executive director, at any time prior to consideration by the commission, may dismiss a complaint which on its face, or as shown by investigation, provides reason to believe that a violation has occurred, but also shows that the respondent is in substantial compliance with the relevant statutes or rules, or shows that formal enforcement action is not warranted.

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cc: Matthew Hepner