



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Delivered electronically to michaeljcanty1977@gmail.com.

Subject: PDC Case 163659 regarding Michael Canty

Michael Canty:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint filed by Conner Edwards on December 11, 2024. The complaint alleged violations of: RCW 42.17A.235 & .240 for failure to timely and accurately file expenditure reports.

Applicable Laws & Rules

- RCW 42.17A.235 describes the required filing deadlines for disclosure of campaign finance activities including monetary contributions.
- RCW 42.17A.240 describes the required contents of campaign finance reports filed with the Public Disclosure Commission.

Background & Findings

- Michael Canty was a write-in candidate for Governor in the State Washington and first-time candidate.
- Due to his late write-in status, the candidate did not benefit from pre-election outreach from the PDC to educate him about filing requirements.
- The Respondent did not win the election.

Summary and Resolution

After consideration of all the circumstances, further proceedings would not serve the purposes of the Fair Campaign Practices Act. Under WAC 390-37-070, 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.

The PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with [RCW 42.17A.755\(1\)](#). Any allegations regarding reporting by you for the 2024 campaign that are not otherwise addressed are also hereby dismissed.

You are required to comply with all PDC requirements in the future. Failure to do so could lead to further enforcement action.

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 cdc@cdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed by Colin Peeples

Colin Peeples
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Endorsed by,

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Kim Bradford
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Executive Director

cc: Conner Edwards