Respondent Name

Joshua "Josh" Binda

Complainant Name

Josef "Joe" A. Kunzler

Complaint Description

Joe Kunzler reported via the portal

(Mon, 27 Jan 2025 at 11:07 AM)

Passing on to the Public Disclosure Commission that Joshua "Josh" Binda has been misleading, if not fraudulent, about his Lynnwood residency and other financial obligations. I encourage the Public Disclosure Commission to open an immediate investigation based on today's Lynnwood Times report linked below:

Lynnwood Times: New Investigation: Lynnwood City Council Vice President alleged Everett address

Although I think the report speaks for itself, I will say equally for the PDC investigative team **and** the general public:

- 1. I was hopeful after a recent failed recall attempt and previous PDC interactions, Mr. Binda would comply with regulations and *take advantage* of that final opportunity to fully develop leadership skills.
- 2. Before anybody calls me r-c-st, I have called out one Avrum (Alex) Tsimerman and the appeasement thereof to the point of filing many complaints with the PDC against both Tsimerman and his appeasers. Some of his former appeasers have now become heroes of the commons see Redmond City Council. I also am a Seahawks fan. The list goes on.
- 3. I am a defender of the PDC and speaking as a supporter of the PDC's work, the PDC needs to please *promptly* open a case against Mr. Binda and demand prompt responses to the above Lynnwood Times investigation.
- 4. Even if Mr. Binda resigns, the PDC should continue its investigation solely to send a message that the PDC needs accurate data to hold everyone to account. The entire campaign finance transparency system can collapse without accurate data and friendly compliance.
- 5. As per the link, "There is no debt owed in excess of \$2,400." However, "Binda was <u>served an eviction notice</u> from where he lived at the Heather Ridge Apartments in Lynnwood on October 21, 2023, for unpaid rent," where Binda accumulated debt well over \$2,400.
- 6. As per the link, "The date of Binda's eviction from the Heather Ridge Apartment residence was on November 6, 2023"
- 7. There is also, "A 2023 judgment for garnishment is by Credit Concepts of Washington representing Sno-King Auto Sales in the amount of \$3,760.84 for a 2012 Ford Focus with a 29.90% APR which he financed in 2021. The garnishee was the City of Lynnwood. This judgement is still outstanding."
- 8. All of these debts needed to be disclosed.
- 9. If you, like I, abhor big money in politics and think it was *hurtful* among other adjectives a multi-millionaire funded an effort to repeal critical public transit funding, then you defend the PDC. Period.

Usually when I file complaints against Tsimerman, I quote Vlodomir Zelensky or Kaja Kallas or Sanna Marin or Joe Biden to close. In this case, I quote Barack Obama,

"You don't need an effective government or a robust press or reasoned debate to work when all you're concerned about is maintaining power. In fact, the more cynical people are about government and the angrier and more dispirited they are about the prospects for change, the more likely the powerful are able to maintain their power. But we believe that in order to move this country forward, to actually solve problems and make people's lives better, we need a well-functioning government, we need our civic institutions to work."

That means the PDC has to work, too. In closing, I call upon the PDC to open an immediate investigation. Please.

Joe Kunzler replied

(Mon, 27 Jan 2025 at 12:57 PM)

To:" PDC Support" <pdc@pdc.wa.gov>

External Email

Thanks, as I need to update my Binda complaint. As to bullet point 5...

Instead of

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Should be

As per <u>Binda's last disclosure</u> for 2023, "There is no debt owed in excess of \$2,400." However as per the Lynnwood Times report, "Binda was <u>served an eviction notice</u> from where he lived at the Heather Ridge Apartments in Lynnwood on October 21, 2023, for unpaid rent," where Binda accumulated debt well over \$2,400.

Sorry about that;

JOE

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

Josh Binda's inability to admit ineligibility for Lynnwood City Council due to a change of residency is denying a valid Lynnwood resident an opportunity to serve. Additionally, Josh Binda's alleged fraud is not just denying the public the ability to know his financial affairs but unfair to those who worry for their loved ones and comply anyway.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

Lynnwood Times, "New Investigation: Lynnwood City Council Vice President alleged Everett address" https://lynnwoodtimes.com/2025/01/27/everett-address/

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

Mario Lotmore <publisher@lynnwoodtimes.com>, 425-931-1374

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.