



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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Subject: PDC Case 169742 regarding Rebecca Elbaum

Rebecca Elbaum:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint filed by Jeff Lyon on March 28, 2025. The complaint alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to file a Personal Financial Affairs Report (F-1) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

Applicable Laws and Rules

[RCW 42.17A.700](#) requires a candidate to file a *Personal Financial Affairs Statement* (F-1 report) with the PDC within two weeks of becoming a candidate, as defined, that discloses personal financial information for themselves and their spouse or registered domestic partner, if any, for the twelve months preceding candidacy.

Background and Findings

- The Respondent became a candidate for City Council Member for the City of Woodinville on January 9, 2025, as stated in the Campaign Registration (C-1 report) filed on January 9, 2025, with the PDC.
- The Respondent initially filed the required F-1 report on April 5, 2025, 2 days after being informed of the complaint and case opening by PDC staff.
- With assistance from PDC staff, the Respondent filed an amendment on June 26, 2025, to correct the required income information.

Summary and Resolution

Based on our findings, staff has determined that, in this instance, any violation that may have occurred was minor and has been cured. After consideration of the circumstances, further proceedings would not serve the purpose 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. The failure to timely file the F-1 report covering January 9, 2024, through January 8, 2025, does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), however, you are receiving a formal written warning concerning failure to timely file your Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report). The formal written warning will include the staff's expectation that you timely file all future-required F-1 reports with the PDC. The Commission will consider this formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1). If you have questions, you may contact Tabitha Townsend 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 Tabitha Townsend
Tabitha Townsend
Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

Electronically signed by Kim Bradford
Kim Bradford
Deputy Director
For Peter Frey Lavallee
Executive Director

cc: Jeff Lyon