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Subject: PDC Case 170567 Recall the Establishment

Recall the Establishment:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint filed by Conner Edwards. The complaint alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.205, .235 and .240 for failing to disclose the supported ballot measure on its Committee Registration and failing to timely and accurately disclose contributions and expenditures on Cash Receipts Monetary Contributions (C-3) reports and Campaign Summary Receipts and Expenditures (C-4) reports.

Applicable Laws and Rules

- RCW 42.17A.235 describes the required filing deadlines for disclosure of campaign finance activities including monetary contributions.
- RCW 42.17A.240 requires committees file accurate campaign finance reports with the Public Disclosure Commission.
- RCW 42.17A.205 requires every political committee to register with the PDC by filing a Committee Registration (C-1) within two weeks of organization or the date it first has the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures in any election campaign, whichever is earlier. If applicable, the C-1 must list the ballot proposition concerned, if any, and whether the committee is in favor of or opposed to such proposition.

Background and Findings

- Recall the Establishment registered with the PDC on Jan. 25, 2025.
- On May 15, 2025, the Committee amended the registration, listing its support for “#IP25-406.” Initiative Measure No. IP25-406 concerns motor vehicle emission standards.
- In response to the allegation the filing fee was not reported, Brandon Ducharme, Treasurer, stated they recorded the expenditure in the campaign’s reporting system.
- However, PDC staff noted the expenditure was not disclosed because the campaign did not correctly report its start date.
- Ducharme amended the campaign start date and filed the C-4 covering January 2025.

- Ducharme also stated, in reply to allegations that the committee shared finances and committee officers with the Washingtonians to Recall Inslee political committee, “The Recall The Establishment PAC has no connection whatsoever with the Inslee thing. We did take over the Facebook group but there is no other connection. I am the sole committee officer of the PAC, any other suggestion is both silly and offensive.”

### Summary and Resolution

Pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(d), however, Recall the Establishment is receiving a formal written warning concerning the failure to timely disclosure of all contribution and expenditures and failure to list ballot proposition supported on the Committee Registration. The formal written warning will include staff’s expectation Recall the Establishment timely and accurately files all future required reports. 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, contact Alice Fiman at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at [pdcc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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