

Respondent Names
Bob Ferguson
Complainant Name
Joe Kunzler
Complaint Description
<p>Joe Kunzler</p> <p>Thu, 5 Jun 2025 at 10:52 PM</p> <p>5 June 2025</p> <p>Dear Public Disclosure Commission;</p> <p>I find it odd that Governor Bob Ferguson is arguably using his official X/Twitter account for propaganda against IL26-126 when he made this statement/tweet/post:</p> <p>"Here's what your state Republican Party wants to do: Eliminate your right to vote by mail. Washington state's election system is convenient, safe and secure. We're not going to let anyone move us backward."</p> <p>Now I'm not a Republican and I publicly disagree w/ Rep. Jim Walsh on some things (e.g. GO SOUND TRANSIT!), but I suspect very strongly this tweet can be interpreted as a statement not just against Rep. Walsh's efforts to end postal voting/vote by mail, but also against IL26-126 which Rep. Walsh is the prime sponsor. IL26-126 calls for county auditors to get proof of citizenship to remain on the voting rolls. I'm sure you can understand why I've concluded Governor Ferguson's tweet to be in error and in violation of RCW 42.17A.555. RCW 42.17A.555 is clear that,</p> <p>"No elective official nor any employee of his or her office nor any person appointed to or employed by any public office or agency may use or authorize the use of any of the facilities of a public office or agency, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of assisting a campaign for election of any person to any office or for the promotion of or opposition to any ballot proposition."</p> <p>I would also submit that tweets about the election system and arguably about initiatives to the legislature is NOT "Activities which are part of the normal and regular conduct of the office or agency." Nor is allowing Tsimmerman to make public comments either verbally or with a sign in support of his campaigns.</p> <p>All Governor Ferguson had to do was use his own personal account and let rip on IL26-126. Sort of like how Governor Ferguson should also let rip on his personal account the following:</p> <p>"I, Governor Bob Ferguson, absolutely, positively condemn Alex Tsimmerman's continued attacks on our democracy with his hate speech, fraudulent fandom of US President Donald Trump, Tsimmerman's deplorable Nazi salute of the Redmond City Council on June 3 towards Jewish and half-Jew elected officials, and refusal to cooperate with the nonpartisan Public Disclosure Commission while accruing \$36,250 in fines with new PDC complaints waiting to be processed. I also want to be clear as Governor: anti-Semitism has no home here in Washington State. Period.</p>

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

Governor Ferguson or staff abusing social media to campaign against an initiative in IL26-126 to tighten up election integrity is using taxpayer resources for propaganda. I've been outraged when Avrum (Alex) Tsimmerman does it, of course I'm outraged when the former Attorney General who is speechless about anti-Semitism and has logorheea against NAS Whidbey Island does it as Governor. Rather see tweets calling for an end to anti-Semitism.

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

<https://x.com/GovBobFerguson/status/1930770810039599465>

**List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them**

Governor Bob Ferguson  
<https://governor.wa.gov/contacting-governor/contacting-governors-office>

**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.

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