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November 3, 2017

Reid Campion  
4070 Fishermans Bend Lane  
Blaine, WA 98230

Subject: PDC Order, Case 22599

Dear Reid Campion,

Enclosed is a copy of the Public Disclosure Commission's Order that was entered in the above-referenced case. At the October 26, 2017, Regular Commission Hearing, the Commission conducted a review of the initial order. The \$500 civil penalty that was assessed against you has been affirmed, with \$250 suspended on condition that the required F-1 and C-1 forms be filed by an approved method, either electronically or via postal mail, no later than November 15, 2017.

Please make the \$250 check or money order payable to the WA State Treasurer, and mail the payment to the following:

WA State Treasurer - Public Disclosure Commission  
Financial Office  
PO Box 41465  
Olympia, WA 98504-1465

Please do not send the payment to the PDC offices. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, and please file the missing C-1 report for the 2017 election cycle and the F-1 report disclosing the previous twelve months. If you have questions, please contact me by email at [micaiah.ragins@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:micaiah.ragins@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

Micaiah Titus Ragins  
Compliance Coordinator

Enclosures:

Order on Respondent's Request For Review

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

IN RE THE MATTER OF ENFORCEMENT  
ACTION AGAINST

Reid Campion

Respondent.

PDC CASE NO. 22599

ORDER ON RESPONDENT'S  
REQUEST FOR REVIEW

This matter came before the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission on October 26, 2017, at the PDC office, Room 206, Evergreen Plaza Building, 711 Capitol Way, Olympia, Washington. Respondent Reid Campion requested review of the Commission Order issued on September 5, 2017 following a Brief Enforcement Hearing (brief adjudicative proceeding) in this matter. The matter was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 and 42.17A RCW and Chapter 390-37 WAC.

Commissioners present included Anne Levinson, Commission Chair (presiding); Jack Johnson, Commission Vice-Chair; and Commissioners John Bridges, Katrina Asay, and David Ammons. Micaiah Ragins, PDC Compliance Coordinator, and Kurt Young, PDC Compliance Officer, presented the matter on behalf of PDC Staff. Also present were Assistant Attorney General Scott Douglas representing the Commission; PDC Executive Director Peter Lavallee; Assistant Attorney General Chad Standifer on behalf of PDC Staff; and PDC staff member Jana Greer as recorder of the proceedings. Mr. Campion did not participate in the proceeding. The proceeding was open to the public and recorded.

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## I. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The matter involved Mr. Campion's request that the Commission review the penalty assessed in the September 5, 2017 Order based on the finding that he violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) disclosing financial activities for the preceding twelve months, and RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to timely file a Candidate Registration (C-1 report), within two weeks of declaring his candidacy, or no later than June 2, 2017.

- Reid Campion (Campion) is a first-time candidate for Fire Commissioner for the Whatcom Fire Protection District 21.
- As a candidate for election, Campion was required to file both a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) disclosing financial activities for the preceding twelve months, and a Candidate Registration (C-1 report), within two weeks of declaring his candidacy, or no later than June 2, 2017.
- On August 23, 2017, a Brief Enforcement Hearing was held in which the Presiding Officer found Campion in violation of RCW 42.17A.700 for failing to file an F-1 report for the preceding twelve months, and in violation of RCW 42.17A.205 for failing to timely file a C-1 report. Campion was assessed a \$500 in accordance with WAC 390-37-143, the penalty schedule adopted by the Commission, which was payable within 30 days of the date of the Order.
- The initial Order was entered September 5, 2017.
- On September 27, 2017, PDC Staff received a telephone call from Campion requesting review of the Initial Order and waiver of any penalties assessed on the basis that he attempted to file both the C-1 and F-1 reports through email prior to the hearing date and did not understand that fax or email was not approved for filing purposes.

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- 2 • Campion emailed the C-1 and F-1 reports on July 27, 2017, before the August 2, 2017  
3 hearing notice was sent out, and before the August 23, 2017 Brief Enforcement Hearing  
4 was held. He stated that he thought it was acceptable to email the missing reports.  
5 Campion also stated in his September 27, 2017 telephone call with PDC staff, as well as  
6 in a fax received by PDC staff from Mr. Campion on October 16, 2017, that the \$500  
7 penalty would cause an undue financial hardship for him and his family as a single father  
8 with four children. He stated that he works as a carpenter in a secluded area, and filing  
9 electronically has been an obstacle for him due to limited fiber optic lines and related  
10 internet connectivity issues.
  - 11 • There is no record in which PDC staff advised Campion that it was acceptable to submit  
12 the reports by email or by fax without filing electronically or through postal mail. There is  
13 only email correspondence showing Campion being informed by PDC staff to send the  
14 documents through postal mail or by filing electronically.
  - 15 • The missing C-1 and F-1 reports have not been received through an approved filing  
16 method as of the date of the review hearing in this matter. On October 16, 2017, after an  
17 additional reminder from PDC staff, Campion agreed to send the C-1 and F-1 reports by  
18 postal mail delivery.

## 19 **II. FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

20 Respondent's request for review is granted. The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of  
21 Law entered on September 5, 2017 are hereby incorporated. Additionally, the Commission finds  
22 that:

23 1. Respondent Reid Campion has transmitted the required forms to PDC staff via email,  
24 but has not filed the forms electronically, or by postal mail, as is required for proper filing.  
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