



State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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November 8, 2017

Vincent Koester
PO Box 98459
Des Moines WA 98198

Subject: PDC Order on Request for Review, Case 22115

Dear Vincent Koester:

Enclosed is a copy of the Public Disclosure Commission's Order Imposing Fine that was entered in the above-referenced case. At the August 23, 2017, Brief Enforcement hearing, the Presiding Officer assessed a total civil penalty of \$300 in accordance with WAC 390-37-143.

At the October 26, 2017, public meeting of the Public Disclosure Commission, your request for review was granted, and entire \$300 penalty waived.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions, please contact me by email at fox.blackhorn@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Fox Blackhorn
Compliance Coordinator

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

IN RE THE MATTER OF ENFORCEMENT
ACTION AGAINST

Vincent Koester

Respondent.

PDC CASE NO. 22115

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 Vincent Koester 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. Fox Blackhorn-Delph, PDC Compliance Coordinator, 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. Respondent Vincent Koester did not participate in the proceeding. The proceeding was open to the public and recorded.

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II. FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

1. On July 8, 2017, Respondent Vincent Koester filed an amended 2015 F-1 report erroneously, rather than filing a new F-1 report for 2016. This erroneous report was filed prior to the date upon which the Notice of Hearing was sent for the August 23, 2017 Brief Enforcement Hearing.

2. On August 2, 2017, Respondent Vincent Koester filed the correct F-1 report for calendar year 2016.

III. ORDER

The \$300 civil penalty assessed against Mr. Koester is hereby waived. The Executive Director is authorized to enter this order on behalf of the Commission.

SO ORDERED this 30 day of November, 2017.

WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

FOR THE COMMISSION:

This order sent by mail to:
Vincent Koester
PO Box 98459
Des Moines, WA 98198


Peter Lavallee
Executive Director

I, Fox Blackhorn, certify that I emailed a copy of this order to the Respondent at his respective email address.

Signed _____ Date _____

FURTHER APPEAL RIGHTS - SUPERIOR COURT

A final order issued by the Public Disclosure Commission is subject to judicial review under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), chapter 34.05 RCW. RCW 42.17A.755. The procedures are provided in the APA at RCW 34.05.510 - .574.