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October 6, 2017

Delivered electronically to "deseanquinn@gmail.com"

Subject: PDC Case 20957

Dear De'Sean Quinn:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent to Glen Morgan concerning the third complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) on June 27, 2017. The complaint alleged that you may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failure to report reimbursement of over-limit contributions. A copy of the complaint was previously sent to you.

As noted in the letter to Glen Morgan, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter. PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of the contribution limits set forth by the will of the people, as codified in RCW 42.17A.405 and WAC 390-05-400. Per WAC 390-17-301, once the appropriate elections official determines that no primary election shall be held, it is incumbent upon candidates to return any excess contributions.

If you have questions, you may contact Fox Blackhorn at 1-360-753-1980 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at fox.blackhorn@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Fox Blackhorn
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

Peter Lavallee
Executive Director

Enclosure: Letter to Glen Morgan



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Delivered electronically to “glenmorgan89@gmail.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding De’Sean Quinn (3), PDC Case 20957

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its initial review of the complaint you filed on June 26, 2017. Your complaint alleged that De’Sean Quinn may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failure to report reimbursement of over-limit contributions.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations, and as a result of staff’s initial review, we found the following:

- During his 2015 mayoral campaign, De’Sean Quinn accepted four over-limit contributions. Each contributor had designated separate contributions for the primary and the general election, but no primary was held for this race. As such, per WAC 390-17-301, all primary contributions were applied to the contribution limit for the general election, and contributions in excess of the general limit were required to be refunded.
- On April 27, 2017, De’Sean Quinn issued refund checks for the four over-limit contributions and provided documentation to PDC Staff of check issuance and cashing.
- The returned contributions were reported on the C-4 filed on June 28, 2017, covering the reporting period of 1/1/16-4/30/17.

Based on these initial findings, staff has determined that in this instance, failure to timely report refunds for over-limit contributions does not amount to a material violation warranting further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding De’Sean Quinn about the importance of the contribution limits set forth by the will of the people, as codified in RCW 42.17A.405 and WAC 390-05-400. Per WAC 390-17-301, once the appropriate elections official determines that no primary election shall be held, it is incumbent upon candidates to return any excess contributions.

The PDC has closed the matter, and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case.

If you have questions, you may contact Fox Blackhorn at 1-360-753-1980 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at fox.blackhorn@pdc.wa.gov.

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cc: De'Sean Quinn