

The following complaint is filed against Jinyoung Englund, candidate for the state senate in the 45<sup>th</sup> legislative district, and her committee Friends of Jinyoung Englund.

RCW 42.17A.205 (1) states that “Every political committee shall file a statement of organization with the commission. The statement must be filed within two weeks after organization or within two weeks after the date the committee first has the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures in any election campaign, whichever is earlier. A political committee organized within the last three weeks before an election and having the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures during and for that election campaign shall file a statement of organization within three business days after its organization or when it first has the expectation of receiving contributions or making expenditures in the election campaign.”

On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, the 45<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Republican Party held their March meeting. At that meeting, the following discussion occurred (audio attached):

“Do we have an office in Redmond for the Senate campaign?”

Yes, we have an office for the campaign. Many of you have been to my building up there up the street from Ste Michelle. On the west side of the building, the upstairs has been, for the last number of years, occupied by Jiffy Lube corporate office. They moved out in December and I am leasing that to the senate – to the campaign for the duration of the campaign season. They can occupy it any time they want. They haven’t yet, but that where the campaign office will be. Phone banks will be there. And signs will be there. Everything to do with the campaign will be there. It’ll be up and running as soon as they come over and say ‘give me the key,’ and they start occupying it. It’s convenient, I think, everyone in the district. I think it’s in a very central location for the district.”

According to this discussion, the campaign had made the expectation of either making the expenditure of rent for a campaign office or receiving an in-kind contribution of rent for the office as of or before March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The discussion was clearly relating to Jinyoung Englund as the candidate – earlier in the meeting, the following discussion occurred (audio attached):

“The big question everybody has is: ‘Who is our candidate for the Senate race?’ Here’s what I am told. The Senate Caucus has selected a candidate. They have identified the candidate, they have vetted the candidate, they are currently working on a few issues that they have to...preparatory to announcing and so on. My understanding is the announcement will come out on April 11<sup>th</sup> I believe. With a kickoff to follow shortly thereafter. I can tell you a few things. Part of what they have to deal with is this candidate is currently involved in a military organization, a US military organization, partially outside of the country and they are tying up that...well its not even a loose end, they are just doing what they have to do so that that candidate can be here. It’s a woman. From what I know, and I admit I do not know a ton but I know some. We’re going to like this candidate. We’re going to be pretty happy with the candidate and I’m pretty confident about that.”

Jinyoung Englund announced her campaign on April 11<sup>th</sup> as predicted and she is a woman whose husband serves in the military, confirming that she was the candidate being discussed at the meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

RCW 42.17A.205 (1) would require Englund to file her statement of organization within two weeks of the expectation of making expenditures or receiving contributions, meaning within two weeks of March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Englund did not file a C-1 form until April 11<sup>th</sup>, 19 days after March 23<sup>rd</sup> and a clear violation of RCW 42.17A.205 (1)