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David Gellatly, Chairman
Clark County Republican Party
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Subject: Complaint regarding Clark County Republican Party, PDC Case 7934

Dear Mr. Gellatly:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has concluded its review and investigative work concerning the complaint filed by Elizabeth Campbell on August 28, 2016 and supplemented on September 14, 2016. The complaint alleged that the Clark County Republican Party purchased mailers and incurred other expenditures during the 2016 elections, but did not timely report its expenditures on C-4 reports, and in some cases as Independent Expenditures on C-6 reports, between May and August 2016, in violation of RCW 42.17A.235, .240, and .305.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations, and as a result of staff's review and investigative work, we found the following:

- The allegations contained in the complaint underlying PDC Case 7934 are substantially similar to a citizen action complaint filed with the Attorney General's Office pursuant to RCW 42.17A.765 by Walter Smith on September 1, 2017.
- On October 27, 2017, the PDC became aware that a lawsuit containing substantially similar allegations as the complaint underlying PDC Case 7934 was filed in Superior Court in the name of Washington State by the Attorney General's Office.
- The Superior Court now has primary jurisdiction over the substance of this complaint, and the PDC will defer to their judgment in bringing the issues in the complaint to resolution.

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

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If you have questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman at 360-664-8853, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by replying to this email.

Sincerely,

s/_____
Phil Stutzman
Sr. Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

s/_____
Barbara Sandahl
Deputy Director
For Peter Lavallee
Executive Director

cc: Clark County Republican Party