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PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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August 12, 2016

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Subject: PDC case 7086

Dear Mr. Petersen:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its initial review of the complaint you filed on July 29, 2016. Your complaint alleged that Eric Geary, candidate for Yakima County Board of Commissioners may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to report campaign contributions and expenditures.

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

- Mr. Geary was deployed on Military Orders at the time of the complaint.
- When Mr. Geary was able to address the reporting discrepancies he encountered significant system issues with the ORCA filing software. He worked diligently with PDC staff to amend his reports. The amounts of the reporting did not change on his C4 reports, only the dates needed to be changed.
- Mr. Geary has no previous violations of PDC laws and rules.

Based on these initial findings, I have determined Eric Geary's inadvertent failure to change the C4 report date from June 30 to July 11, which has now been corrected, does not amount to a material violation warranting further action. The PDC has closed the matter, and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint.

If you have questions, you may contact Jacob Berkey toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at Jacob.berkey@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Jacob Berkey
Compliance Staff

Endorsed by,

Evelyn Fielding Lopez
Executive Director

cc: Eric Geary