

## File a Formal Complaint - liz hallock

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<http://www.cannacore.org/>

This Washington nonprofit organization, CORE, is holding a political fundraiser for Senator Ann Rivers and labeling it a reception. The group has had various receptions in the pasts where they invited legislators and political figures, but this is the first attempt to influence an election.

The group has three registered lobbyists. However, CORE, not the lobbyists, have sent an email to every retailer inviting them to this political fundraising event. CORE is organizing and making expenditures to influence an election. Even if the checks to attend to the event are made out to Friends of Ann Rivers, the organization is collecting the funds and doing the fundraiser on behalf of Mrs. Rivers.

It appears this organization, which maintains as one of its purposes to influence elections, has not registered as a political action committee in accordance with RCW 42.17A. It appears this organization is trying to influence an election and evade registering as a PAC by calling its event a "reception."

It is registered with the IRS as a non-profit lobbying organization.

In a prior presentation they mentioned their purpose was to influence elections. At the time, I was inquiring about membership and told them that I did not see them registered as a PAC. Their response was their lobbyists were registered.

<http://www.cannacore.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/CORE-March-Mixer-Early.pdf>



Cannabis Organization of Retail Establishments

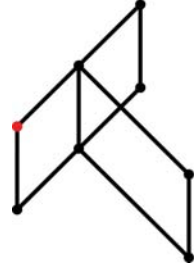
2015 Update

Overview & Rules/Regulations



# CORE thanks our industry partners for sponsoring tonight's event:

THE  
**GOODSHIP**<sup>®</sup>  
COMPANY



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# What is CORE?



- \* **501(c)(6) Non-Profit**
- \* Retailers' group
- \* P/P & industry partners can be members too!

\* **Marijuana Industry Advocacy**

\* **Legislative Policy**

\* **Regulatory policy**

\* **Establish Industry Standards**





# CORE BOARD

*Hashtag*  
Herb(n)  
Elements

(Stash)  
Pot Shop

EVERGREEN  
MARKET

*Uncle Ike's*<sup>™</sup>

## Lobbying Team:

Lewis McMurrin

Tim Hatley

Sandeep Kaushik



# What has CORE Accomplished?



- \* Incorporated October 15th
- \* Donated \$9,700 to 11 candidates
- \* Lobbied in Olympia over 25 bills
- \* Working w/LCB on rules

**SB5052 - WE WERE TOO LATE**





# What about my business?

- \* **December 2015:** Cartridges cannot be returned if package has been opened
- \* **January 2016:** At CORE's request, clarification issued indicating returns rule allows returns





# What about my business?

- \* **February 2016:** Tips are the selling of a service
- \* **March 2016:** At CORE's request, Tips clarified as gratuity\*

**\$1 in lost gratuity requires  
~\$3 in revenue!**

\*As long as the sale isn't contingent







# Legislative?

<b>Passed</b>	<b>HB2521</b>	<b>Allow the LCB to allow retailers to dispose of marijuana</b>
<b>Passed</b>	<b>SB6375</b>	<b>Vendor Days</b>
<b>Failed</b>	<b>HB2368</b>	<b>Marijuana delivery pilot program</b>
<b>Passed</b>	<b>HB2584</b>	<b>Exempt broad amounts of LCB data from public disclosure</b>



# What about Next Year?

- \* **Pesticides** – ~80% of products on your shelves contain unapproved pesticides
- \* **Delivery** – Top priority for Seattle
- \* **Ownership/Capital** – Pressure every year from many directions
- \* **Medical** – Current implementation has potentially insurmountable issues



# Seattle Attorney

## Pete Holmes



\* **2-Term Seattle City Attorney**

\* **I-502 Sponsor**

\* **Top Marijuana Priorities:**

**Home Delivery & Marijuana Clubs**

# State Rep Chris Hurst

- \* Chair of House Commerce and Gaming Committee
- \* Former Police Officer
- \* Top Marijuana Priority:  
Put illegal drug dealers out of business



# Seattle CM Herbold

\*1st Term Seattle City  
CM

\*Former CM Licata  
Staffer

\*Long-time marijuana  
legalization advocate



## RECEPTION & CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISER

### HONORING:

suggested donation: \$500  
min. donation: \$100  
checks payable to:  
*Friends of Ann Rivers*

## STATE SENATOR ANN RIVERS



### JOIN US IN SUPPORT:

## WEDNESDAY JULY 27th, 2016

**Hosted By :**



**5:00pm - 7:30pm**

CRAFT ELIXIRS  
3528 Bagley Ave N. Suite 5  
Seattle WA, 98103

To RSVP or for more info, please contact: [brooke@cannacore.org](mailto:brooke@cannacore.org)