Re: PDC - Gun Owners Action League of Washington: Alleged Violation of RCW 42.17A.230, .235, .240, .250 for failure to timely or accurately disclose contribution reporting information and failure to report as an out-of-state political committee. (SEP 2018

<u>GOAL WA</u> reported (Fri, 19 Oct at 6:20 PM) To: pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to respond to this complaint. I believe we have carefully complied with all the requirements of RCW 42.17A and that the complaint filed against myself and GOAL are just based on confusion or a lack of understanding by the person who filed the complaint.

I retired from the Marine Corps in 1992 and my wife, two sons and I settled in Bellevue, at 12131 SE 13th St, Bellevue 98005. My youngest son enlisted in the Navy while a student at UW, and was assigned to NAS Pensacola, Florida upon college graduation. My wife and I visited him several times while he was there.

IN 2007 my wife and I decided to relocate permanently to Pensacola. I had been elected to take over the chairmanship and treasurer position with GOAL in 2004, upon the death of my predecessor, Bruce Turner. As I was familiar with the WEDS system and later ORCA, I was asked to stay on as chairman/treasurer when I relocated to Florida.. I have continued in this capacity since that time.

The annual GOAL C1-pc correctly lists GOAL's address as a Bellevue P.O. box. And in the listing of committee principals, it correctly listed my Bellevue address through 2007, then in January 2008 I listed my address of residence as 2152 Stennis Drive, Pensacola, FL 32506. GOAL's address of record remained in Bellevue, and the records are kept there by the Assistant Treasurer for inspection as required.

I would also add that in regard to the complaint that I had listed my address as 15914 61st Ave SE in Snohomish, that is not true. Over the years my older son, Joseph P. Waldron (I am Joseph R.) did offer to make small contributions, and I included HIS home address when I reported them. The complainant was confused between my son's name and my own. The allegation about any violations GOAL may have committed regarding our regularly scheduled low-cost fundraisers is entirely based on the complainant's ignorance of the statute. We have always carefully followed the law as it applies to our low-cost fundraisers for decades now.

At no time did I, the Committee or anyone else violate any of the elements of RCW 42.17A, Washington State's Campaign Finance laws.

I hope you will dismiss this frivolous complaint against GOAL. We have been carefully complying with the state's campaign finance laws for decades now.

Best Regards,

Joe Waldron Chairman, GOAL of WA