

[Tim Gray](#) (Fri, 2 Nov at 1:22 PM)

to : pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Dear Ms. Blacksmith,

The following is my response to the three violations you listed. Please advise if there are other steps I need to complete.

Violation # 1 - Use of public facilities for campaign, i.e. my office telephone number (509) 684-7511. I can state that I have received one telephone call at my county office that was related to my re-election campaign. It was from a Democratic Party Observer named Larry Ludwig, who mentioned to me that my office number was on my facebook page. I contacted my daughter, Kayla Nestor, who was running the page for me and instructed her to change the number to my home telephone number (509) 684-4410. I also realized that a hand-out page had the same telephone number error and I scapped about 1,900 out of the 2,000 pages that I had printed and purchased corrected ones from Colville Printing. I have received and reported \$3,090.04 for my campaign and spent that money plus personal funds. I will not be spending any more money on my campaign.

Violation # 2 - Late filing of July 17 to July 31 C4 report. I am guilty of not filing on time. Again my campaign was not very active, but I did file and I expect there is a fine to come.

Violation # 3 - I did pay my filing fee of \$670.00 with my personal funds. I will sent copies of the check and receipt if necessary. I was not aware that I needed to report the expense.

I would like to offer some background. I have served as the Stevens County Auditor for almost 26 years, I have not had an opponent for the last 20 years and I have not seeked funds or campaigned over those 20 years. I have not created any sort of campaign committee of seasoned experts to handle the PDC requirements or other campaign aspects. I think I had a grand total of 8 individual contributions and one union contribution. I am embrassed that I did not properly approve of the facebook page and printed telephone number. I did take one call at my office, because I thought he was calling about the election observing process. I did not know that the filing fee was an issue.

I conduct elections in our County and certainly understand that I should have know better and performed better. I lost to my opponent in the Primary, I am a Democrat in a Republic county and so most likely win or lose, this is my final experience as a candidate in an election.

Again I sincerely apologize for my mistakes and will await your decision as to what fines or requirements come my way.

Tim Gray
Candidate for Stevens County Auditor