

Complaint Description

File a Formal Complaint - michael pollowitz

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Complaint Against Friends of Elaine Phelps

I am filing a complaint against a committee called “**Friends of Elaine Phelps**” that did an Independent Expenditure supporting Maralyn Chase for the State Senate in the 32nd District for failing to file timely reports. Voters in the 32nd District received this mailing about five days before the 2018 Primary Election.

The address for the committee is 905 NW Richmond Beach Road, Shoreline, WA 98177 that I believe was the home of Ms. Phelps. The phone number is listed as 206-734-5545.

The treasurer on the C-1 is listed as Sally Soriano, 14051 1st Avenue NW, Seattle, WA 98177. The phone number is listed at 206-782-8292.

According to the C-6 filed by the committee, they spent \$5,000.

They failed to file a LMC for more than \$1,000 received shortly before the election.

They failed to file a C-3 in a timely manner. If the deposit(s) were made the week of July 30, 2018; a C-3 would have been required to be filed on August 6th and as of September 21, 2018 at 6 pm, it has not been filed.

They failed to file a C-4 for the July 31st to August 31st reporting period by September 10, 2018 as required. As of 6 pm on September 21, 2018 it has not been filed.

The C-6 filed on August 2, 2018 fails to list the description of the expenditure.

There are several other suspicious issues that should be investigated by the PDC surrounding Friends of Elaine Phelps that can only be resolved by looking at bank records of the committee and the individuals involved to determine if the name(s) of contributor(s) were falsified.

The mailer lists the top five contributors as: Elaine Phelps, Janet Way, Sally Soriano, Marcy Bloom, and Carol McMahon. However, the C-6 does not list any contribution from Elaine Phelps. If she did not contribute, why is she listed on the mailer?

Ms. Phelps died on July 17, 2018.

The C-6 lists Janet Way of 940 NE 147th Street, Shoreline, WA 98155 as donating \$4,300 to the committee. However, a search of the PDC's data base for nearly ten years from December of 2008 to August of 2018 shows Ms. Way made 62 political contributions and none of them were over \$125. The average of Ms. Way's contributions over this approximate 10 year period was only \$26.90. The file is on the enclosed CD.

Ms. Phelps on the other hand, according to the PDC's data base made 341 political contributions totaling over \$69,000 between 2006 and 2018.

Without looking at bank records, it is impossible to determine if all or part of the \$4,300 Ms. Way or other contributor donated to this committee came from Ms. Phelps before she died or from her estate after she died..

Also, looking at bank records is the only way it be determined if Ms. Phelps wrote the check before she died and/or if the check was deposited within seven days as required by law and when the C-3 should have been filed.

Ms. Phelps also did an Independent expenditure against Jesse Salomon when he was running for reelection in 2015. Ms. Phelps failed to file a C1, C-3, C-4 or C-6 with the PDC. However, from the looks of the mailer, it clearly met the threshold for filing with the PDC. From the U.S. Post Office mailing permit, it appears this mailing was mailed by Overnight Printing in Seattle so they should have records and if Ms. Way, Ms. Soriano, Ms. Bloom, or Ms. McMahon participated in this mailing too.

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List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.

1) Side 1 of the flyer sent opposing Jesse Salomon; 2) Side 2 of the flyer sent opposing Jesse Salomon; 3) Side 1 of the flyer sent supporting Maralyn Chase; 4) Side 2 of the flyer sent supporting Maralyn Chase; 5) C-6 form; 6) Janet Way contribution history; and 7) Elaine Phelps contribution history

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

a) Janet Way; (b) Sally Soriano; (c) Sound Strategies; (d) Marcy Bloom; (e) executor of Elaine Phelps estate; and (f) Key Bank;

Complaint Certification:

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*A simple question
for this
primary election:*



Who stands up for you?

No candidate authorized this ad. It is paid for by Friends of Elaine Phelps.
Top 5 contributors: Elaine Phelps, Janet Way, Sally Soriano, Marcy Bloom, Carol McMahon.

Paid for by Friends of Elaine Phelps
905 NW Richmond Beach Road
Shoreline, WA 98177-3219

2*2*2060 *****SCH 5-DIGIT 98036
CAREY & ELIZABETH LUNSFORD OR CURRENT RESIDENT
4025 168TH ST SW
LYNNWOOD WA 98037-6932

PRST STD
U.S. Postage
PAID
Seattle, WA
Permit No. 1367

**JESSE SALOMON IS BAD FOR SHORELINE
IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE**

To see if your home is in the radical rezone area, go to
<http://shorelinewa.gov/home/showdocument?id=19945>

Paid for by Elaine Phelps
PO Box 232
9792 Edmonds Way
Edmonds WA 98020

4*1*4066 *****S-DIGIT 98155
CRAIG ONEILL
1115 NE 200TH ST
SHORELINE WA 98155-1135

PRSR STD
US POSTAGE
PAID
SEATTLE, WA
PERMIT NO 1367

JESSE SALOMON VOTED AGAINST SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

Instead of sensible development, he voted for radical rezones in the 185th St. Station Subarea Plan that turned thousands of single-family homes into “non-conforming uses”, making them subject to decreased property values.

JESSE SALOMON VOTED AGAINST CURRENT RESIDENTS

Alternatives were offered to dramatically reduce the number of families affected and still provide for reasonable growth. He rejected them all. Then he gave 12-year tax-breaks to developers, who were not asked to pay for the expensive infrastructure needed to support this plan.

JESSE SALOMON VOTED AGAINST OUR ENVIRONMENT

Shoreline is an official “tree city”, with all of the wonderful benefits that our protected tree canopy provides. This excessive, ill-conceived high-density Subarea Plan will eliminate thousands of trees, no mitigation required.

**JESSE SALOMON VOTED AGAINST US –
NOW WE MUST VOTE AGAINST JESSE SALOMON**

Maralyn Chase

Opponents

- ✓ Champion for the Environment, Parks, and Urban Forest ✗
- ✓ Champion for Gun Safety ✗
- ✓ Champion for Women, Workers, LGBTQ rights
Endorsed by Planned Parenthood VOTES,
Washington State Labor Council, and SEAMAC ✗
- ✓ Champion for Economic Equality
and Against Upzoning Displacement ✗
- ✓ Champion for Fully Funding Education and Healthcare for All ✗
- ✓ Champion for Small Business and New Technology Training ✗
- ✓ Experienced and Skilled with a Proven Record
of Excellence in the State Senate ✗



Return Your Primary Ballot by **Tuesday, August 7**

Keep a Senator Who Puts You First:
Re-Elect State Senator Maralyn Chase!



Reporting Form for: (check one)

Instructions on Page 3

- INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES** (Occurring at any time) — **\$100 or more**
 INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE ADS (Appearing within 21 days of an election) — **\$1,000 or more**
 ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS, Except Contributions (Appearing within 60 days of an election) — **\$1,000 or more**

1. Name and complete postal mailing address of sponsor: FRIENDS OF ELAINE PHELPS 905 NW RICHMOND BEACH ROAD SHORELINE, WA 98177	E-mail
	FRIENDSOFELAINEPHEL
	Telephone
	206-734-5545

2. Itemize expenditures of more than \$100 associated with the independent expenditure or electioneering communication.

Date Made	Date First Presented/ Mailed	Name and Address of Vendor or Recipient	Description of Expenditure (e.g., direct mail or newspaper, TV or radio ad)	Amount or Value (*See Below)
08/02/18	08/02/18	SOUND STRATEGIES P.O BOX 1515 MARYSVILLE, WA 98270	CONSULTANT	5,000.00

Expenditures \$100 or less not itemized above \$ 0.00

Total this report \$ 5,000.00

Amount or Value
 *If no reasonable estimate can be made of value, describe activity, services, property or right furnished precisely and attach copy of item produced or distributed.

Total independent expenditures and electioneering communications made during this election campaign. Include amounts shown in this report and previously submitted C-6 reports.
 \$ 5,000.00

3. List of candidate(s) or ballot proposition(s) identified in the advertising.

Candidate/Proposition	Office/District/ Proposition No.	Party	Check Support or Oppose	Show portion of current expense attributable to each candidate or proposition	Show total C-6 expenses related to each candidate/ proposition during election campaign
CHASE, MARALYN	STATE SENATOR/LEG DISTRICT 32 - SENATE	DEMOCRAT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
			<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$	\$
			<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$	\$
			<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$	\$

Filer Name:

4. If reporting an Electioneering Communication, it is necessary to disclose information concerning the source of funding for the communication. Select the description that applies:

- a) ___ An individual using only personal funds.
- b) ___ An individual using personal funds and/or funds received from others.
- c) ___ A business, union, group, association, organization, or other person using only general treasury funds.
- d) ___ A business, union, group, association, organization, or other person using general treasury funds and/or funds received from others.
- e) **X** A political committee filing C-3 and C-4 reports. (RCW 42.17A.205 - .240)
- f) ___ A political committee filing C-5 reports. (RCW 42.17A.250)
- g) ___ Other

If (b), (d), (f), or (g) applies, complete section 5 below. If (e) applies, also complete section 5 if the committee received funds that were requested or designated for the communication.

5. Sources giving in excess of \$250 for the electioneering communication:

Date Received	Source's Name, Address, City, State, Zip	For individuals, Employer's Name, City and State	Amount
08/01/18	WAY, JANET 940 NE 147TH STREET SHORELINE, WA 98155	MCMENAMINS BOTHELL, WA Occupation RESTAURANT HOST	\$ 4,300.00
08/01/18	SORIANO, SALLY 14051 1ST AVENUE NW SEATTLE, WA 98177	N/A N/A, Occupation RETIRED	\$ 400.00
08/01/18	BLOOM, MARCY 905 NW RICHMOND BEACH ROAD SHORELINE, WA 98177	N/A N/A, Occupation RETIRED	\$ 150.00
08/01/18	MCAHON, CAROL 7105 190TH STREET SW LYNNWOOD, WA 98036	N/A N/A, Occupation RETIRED	\$ 150.00
		Occupation	\$
		Occupation	\$
		Sub-Total	\$ 5,000.00
	Continued on attached sheet <input type="checkbox"/>	Amount from attached pages	\$ 0.00
		TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED	\$ 5,000.00

Sponsor of Independent Expenditure or Electioneering Communication			
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that this expenditure was not made in cooperation, consultation, or concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, a candidate, a candidate's authorized committee, or an agent of a candidate nor does it otherwise constitute a contribution under RCW 42.17A.005. I further certify that the above information is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.	Signature	Printed Name JANET WAY	
	Street address 940 NE 147TH ST		
	City/State/Zip SHORELINE WA 98155		
	Date Signed 08/02/18	Place Signed (city and county) SHORELINE KING	
	*RCW 9A.72.040 provides that "(1) A person is guilty of false swearing if he makes a false statement, which he knows to be false, under an oath required or authorized by law. (2) False swearing is a misdemeanor."		