

Complaint Description

File a Formal Complaint - Brian Aker

[Brian Aker](#) reported (Fri, 2 Nov at 2:31 PM) via Portal [Meta](#)

Misleading advertising that gives on the impression that Choi is endorsing his opponent Gonzalez for the Supreme Court. The DNS domain registration for [WAjudicialwatchdog.org](#) obscures the owner, which leaves me with an open question as to who created this site (though in good faith, I would read the page as being authored by Gonzalez campaign).

[Brian Aker](#) replied (Fri, 2 Nov at 11:42 PM)

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Please add:

[JUSTICEGONZALEZ.COM](#) is registered and has a public Reg/Admin/Tech named (i.e. Brian Reyes who lists working for the Justice Gonzalez on their LinkedIn page)

[NATHANCHOIFORJUDGE.ORG](#) is registered and has a public Reg/Admin/Tech named (it provides Nathan Choi as the contact).

[WAJUDICIALWATCHDOG.ORG](#) is using a proxy registration out of Arizona to obscure the ownership (a Godaddy holding company I believe, "Domains By Proxy, LLC")

The ownership of the domain, if you read to the bottom of the default page of [wajudicialwatchdog.org](#) in good faith, would be "Friends of Justice Gonzalez, 603 Stewart St #819, Seattle WA 98101". The PDC's campaign finance pages for Gonzalez do not appear to list this expenditure.

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

In the Washington State voting guide, Nathan Choi has the address [WAjudicialwatchdog.org](#). listed.

When you go to the website though it now endorses his opponent Steve Gonzalez. The website does not redirect to Gonzalez website, but does link to it. A whois of the website shows the owner has obscured the ownership (Godaddy is the register).

I am left wondering if Choi has endorsed his opponent.

Looking at the financial records of both candidates, I don't see anything that says who paid for the site (the site says it was paid for by Gonzalez's campaign). The lack of transparency on who paid for the domain is obviously an issue as well. (If I need to file this as a separate complaint, inform me.)

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

<https://weiapplets.sos.wa.gov/MyVoteOLVR/OnlineVotersGuide?language=en&electionId=71&countyCode=xx&Group=Judicial>

Archive taken (not by myself)

<https://web.archive.org/web/20181019170200/https://www.wajudicialwatchdog.org>

<https://whois.icann.org/en/lookup?name=WJudicialwatchdog.org>

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

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.