

December 18, 2018

Washington Public Disclosure Commission
Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator

RE: Alleged violations by Lincoln County Republican Central Committee, PDC Case No. 43945

Dear Tabatha:

I am in receipt of the email alleging specific violations by the Lincoln County Republican Central Committee dated December 13, 2018.

I am the Treasurer of the LCRCC, and as such have the responsibility to file with the PDC all financial transactions made by the committee.

Regarding the allegation of failure to timely deposit contributions, I believe that is false. I made deposits within a timely manner. Most of our income is generated in the spring around our Lincoln Day Dinner and those deposits are made within days of the event.

Without getting into specifics, the allegation regarding failure to timely report contributions on a C3 is correct. I mistakenly believed that when I filed the C4 per the file due date, all the data input, including income, names and addresses etc., and expenditures were uploaded to the PDC all at once. I was unaware I needed to make a separate upload for the C3. Upon receiving this complaint I called the PDC and spoke to Chip Beatty, who did in fact tell me the C3 and C4 have to be separately uploaded. So I corrected the mistake by uploading all the outstanding C3s, already completed on my computer, to the PDC on December 14, 2018.

Since then I have received funds, which data I input into the system with names and addresses, and uploaded via a C3. I understand it is not due until January 10, but in an effort to show compliance I uploaded it now.

I am in receipt of a schedule, provided to me by the PDC, of all due dates for C3s throughout the year, and shall remain in compliance going forward.

Respectfully,

Mary Blechschmidt
Secretary/Treasurer
Lincoln County Republican Central Committee
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