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February 21, 2019

Delivered electronically to "[kevin@kevinranker.com](mailto:kevin@kevinranker.com)" and "[kevinr@kevinranker.com](mailto:kevinr@kevinranker.com)"

Subject: PDC Case 44685

Dear Kevin Ranker:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Glen Morgan concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted below to Glen Morgan, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of accurately reporting all real estate activity on your Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report). PDC staff expects that, in future years, you will fully and accurately disclose all real estate valued at more than \$10,000 in which you or a family member hold a personal financial interest in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabatha Blacksmith at 360-586-8929, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail [pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov)

Sincerely,

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Tabatha Blacksmith  
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara Sandahl  
Deputy Director  
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Delivered electronically to "[glen@wethegoverned.com](mailto:glen@wethegoverned.com)"

Subject: Complaint regarding Senator Kevin Ranker, PDC Case 44685

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on January 3, 2019. Your complaint alleged that Senator Kevin Ranker may have violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to accurately and timely report real estate activity on his Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

PDC staff reviewed your allegations and, as a result of staff's review, found the following:

- The Respondent was (re)elected as a State Senator in 2012 and 2016 and served in this position from 2013 until he resigned from office in early 2019. The Respondent timely filed the required F-1 reports for financial years 2012 - 2017.
- Beginning in 2013, the Respondent gained partial financial interest in property located in San Juan County, Washington described as "Harbor Vista Estates Short Plat Lot 3 TGW 1/3 Int Common Area Sec 07, T36N, R2W." The lot property was purchased with a loan from the Respondent's mother, Kathleen McNay, who deeded the lot property to the Respondent in 2015.
- The Respondent failed to report financial interest in the lot property on his F-1 reports containing financial data for years 2013 - 2017.
- The Respondent contacted the PDC to inquire about the reporting requirements for gifts and loans from family members, which led him to believe that the lot property did not need to be reported on the F-1 report. This misunderstanding resulted in the above-mentioned omissions on the Respondent's F-1 reports.
- The Respondent has one prior violation concerning PDC requirements that are unrelated to the subject of this complaint (PDC Case 12710).

Based on these findings, staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to report financial interest in the lot property on F-1 reports for 2013 - 2017 does not amount to an actual violation warranting further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Senator Kevin Ranker about the importance of accurately disclosing all real estate activity on his Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

Senator Kevin Ranker made minor or ministerial errors on required reports, which did not materially impact the public interest. Upon notification of these errors, Senator Kevin Ranker amended his reports, making the necessary technical corrections.

The PDC has dismissed the matter and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case.

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cc: Senator Kevin Ranker