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March 13, 2019

Delivered electronically to "smith.melaniej@gmail.com"

Subject: PDC Case 46642

Dear Melanie Smith:

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 submitting a recent photograph when registering as a lobbyist. PDC staff expects that you will file all required lobbyist registration information in future years 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

Sincerely,

/s _____
Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator

Endorsed by,

/s _____
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Delivered electronically to "glen@wethegoverned.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Melanie Smith, PDC Case 46645

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on February 2, 2019. Your complaint alleged that Melanie Smith may have violated RCW 42.17A.605 by failing to submit a recent photograph for her lobbyist registration.

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

- Melanie Smith (the "Respondent") is a registered lobbyist who failed to submit a recent photograph to the PDC as required per RCW 42.17A.605.
- The Respondent took corrective action within 48 hours of being notified by the PDC and uploaded the missing photograph on February 8, 2019.
- The Respondent was unaware of the photo requirement and erroneously believed it was optional information. The omission of her photograph was an unintentional oversight, which was quickly remedied.

Based on these findings, staff has determined that in this instance, failure to submit a photograph for a lobbyist registration does not amount to an actual violation warranting further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Melanie Smith about the importance of submitting a recent photograph when registering as a lobbyist, and the timely filing of all future required lobbyist registration information.

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.

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

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