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Washington State Public Disclosure Commission
Complaint

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DESCRIPTION OF COMPLAINT

1. Respondent: Al French, County Commissioner-Elect, Spokane, WA

2. Narrative: Near the end of October, I received a phone call from Victor Azar, a friend of mine and local businessman. He asked me if I knew that my name is on the list of Al French's supporters on his campaign website. He also inquired if I had given Mr. French permission to list me as a supporter. The answer to both questions was emphatically "no." Victor indicated he had received a phone call advising him that he too was listed there and when he checked the webpage, he noticed that my name was also there. Victor stated that he was also a strong supporter of Bonnie Mager for re-election.

I checked the Al French for County Commissioner webpage and selected the tab "Supporters." My name appears at the top of the right hand column.

Below is the email message I shortly sent to Mr. French:

Between Al French and You

Roseanne Lasater October 26 at 5:40pm

Hey, I heard my name is on a list of supporters on your website. What's the deal? I was asked and declined. I'm supporting Bonnie Mager. Please get my name off your list.

Thanks.

Roseanne Lasater

Mr. French did not respond to my email. The following day, I called his phone number listed on his campaign website and left a voice message requesting that my name be removed from the list of his supporters. Mr. French returned my call later that day.

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He said he had no idea how my name came to appear on his list of supporters and assured me that he would remove it at once.

My name has never been removed from the list of Al French for County Commissioner supporters and continues to appear at the top of the right hand column on that webpage to this date.

The following is a letter to the editor that describes my complaint. It wasn't printed.

Date: Sat, 30 Oct 2010 19:47:41 -0700
Subject: Letter to the editor/Spokesman-Review
From: stillwalkn@gmail.com
To: editor@spokesman.com

Some weeks ago, I was contacted about placing an Al French campaign sign on my lawn. I explained that I support Bonnie Mager, and already have her sign on my lawn. A few days ago, I learned that my name is listed on Al French's campaign website as a supporter. I have always supported Bonnie Mager in the County Commissioner's race.

I sent an email to French and left a voice mail message at his office, requesting that my name be removed from the list of his supporters. French called me the next day. He said he didn't know how my name got on his list of supporters, and assured me he would take care of it, and remove my name right away. He gave me his word.

My name continues to be on the list of French supporters. My name on that list probably doesn't mean much to the outcome of the election. But it means a lot to me. It is my name, and it feels like a theft. The theft of my name.

My word is my bond. I don't give it lightly. Too bad Al French can't be trusted to keep his word and respect my privacy and my right to say who can use my name and only with my permission.

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3. **Evidence:** In addition to my email and letter to the editor copied above, the Al French for County Commissioner webpage listing me as a supporter can be viewed at <http://www.alfrench.com/Supporters.aspx>

4. **Witnesses:** I discussed this matter with Victor Azar and Valerie Brady-Rongey, Manager of the Washington Democratic Party Coordinated Campaign. Valerie was aware of the webpage and informed me that there were several other Bonnie Mager supporters who were listed there without their permission. The following week, when Mr. French did not keep his word to remove my name, I again spoke with Valerie to inquire if she was aware of any formal complaint process available to me with regard to this matter. Valerie made an internal inquiry, and called me later in the day to advise me that it wasn't clear if this type of violation was actionable. My husband Richard Lasater and close friend Kate Healy are both aware of this unauthorized use of my name, and I published a post on Mr. French's Facebook "wall" requesting that my name be removed, where it was visible to all of my Facebook friends and all of Mr. French's Facebook friends.

CERTIFICATION

In signing this complaint, I have provided all information, documents and other evidence of which I am aware;

- If I become aware of additional information, documents or evidence related to my complaint, I will promptly provide it to the PDC; and,
- I am providing the PDC current information on how to contact me, and will promptly update that information if it changes.

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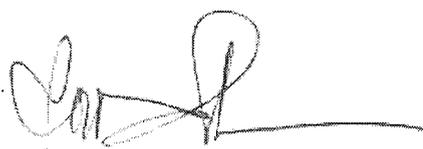
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I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that this complaint is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roseanne Lasater", is written over a vertical dashed line. The signature is stylized and includes a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Roseanne Lasater
December 15, 2010
Spokane Valley, Spokane County, Washington