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Public Disclosure Commission



## WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION COMPLAINT FORM

(See instructions on the last page.)

### Description of Complaint

#### 1. RESPONDENT:

**Identify who you are filing a complaint against and provide all contact information you have for them. Give names and titles, if any, for individuals, and the full name of any organization. Please note that the PDC does not enforce federal campaign finance laws or local ordinances.**

*Example #1: Joe Public, Mayor of My Town,*

*123 Main Street, Your Town, State, Phone: 555-123-4567, Email: unknown*

*Example #2. The Political Action Group (instead of P.A.G.), 123 Main Street, Your Town, State,*

*Phone: 555-123-4567, Email: pag@pag.org*

Karen Steeb, Chairperson/Commissioner-Ken Goodwin, Commissioner-Tim Matson,

Commissioner-Sandra L. Smith, Commissioner, Woodinville Water District, 17238 NE

Woodinville-Duvall Road, Woodinville, WA 98072, 425-487-4100

#### 2. ALLEGED VIOLATIONS:

**Explain how and when you believe the people/entities you are filing a complaint against violated RCW 42.17 or Title 390 WAC. Be as detailed as possible about dates, times, places and acts. If you can, cite which specific laws or rules you believe were violated. Attach additional pages if needed.**

On September 20, 2011 at the Tuesday night Woodinville Water District meeting these four  
commissioners held a press conference as part of their formal public meeting while they  
were sitting as elected officials to provide information to the press and public pertaining to  
the ongoing reelection campaigns of Karen Steeb and Ken Goodwin the sitting  
commissioners. In attendance was the Woodinville Weekly, the Woodinville Patch and  
although the Seattle Times was invited they were not able to attend. Karen Steeb as Chair  
read into the record a letter from Christie True, King County Director criticizing her and  
Goodwin's two opposing candidates. See letter attached as well as Public Disclosure  
attached where Karen Steeb asks Christie True for assistance in her election. Then Ken  
Goodwin read into the record information from the PDC pertaining to his campaign. The  
other two commissioners allowed these actions to take place and made no effort to  
intervene. These actions at a public meeting run by these elected officials who are running  
for reelection are clear violations of RCW 42.17.130 as well as the letter from Christie True a  
public official.

**Evidence and Witnesses**

**3. EVIDENCE:**

List the documents or other evidence you have that support your complaint, if any, and attach copies to this form. If you do not have copies, provide any information you have about where you believe the documents or evidence can be found and how to obtain it. Attach additional pages if needed.

*Example: Emails between Joe public and Candidate X, attached OR  
Joe Public has emails from Candidate X which describe an illegal campaign donation, and Joe Public's phone number is 555-123-4567.*

Article from the Woodinville Weekly

[http://www.nwnnews.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=category&id=34&layout=blog&Itemid=72](http://www.nwnnews.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&id=34&layout=blog&Itemid=72)

Article from the Woodinville Patch <http://woodinville.patch.com/articles/county-officials-and-candidates-speak-out-on-brightwater-and-sewers>

Attached letter from Christie True, King County Director

Attached Public Disclosure request of email from Karen Steeb Chair of the Woodinville Water District to Christie True asking for help with her reelection

Water District Resolution 3027 stating 300' hookup rule – denied in King County letter

**4. WITNESSES:**

List the names and contact information, if known, of any witnesses or other persons who have knowledge of facts that support your complaint. Attach additional pages if needed.

*Example: Jane Public was present when Candidate X spoke to me about the illegal contribution. Jane Public's address is 123 Main Street, Your Town, USA 12345, and her phone number is 555-123-4567.*

The attached evidence is available online to view and the attached Public Disclosure request.

Don Mann from the Woodinville Weekly was invited to attend the meeting. Woodinville Weekly. 13400 NE 175<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite C, Woodinville, WA 98072 425-483-0606

Bob Young, Seattle Times, 206-464-2174 – Invited to attend the meeting but did not

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**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.

Your name (print or type) Hank (Henry L.) Stecker

Street address 19026 152<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE

City, state and zip code Woodinville, WA 98072

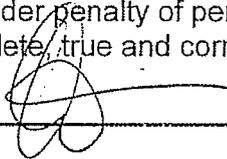
Telephone number (including area code) 206-947-3528

E-mail address (optional) hstecker@comcast.net

**Oath**

**Required for complaints against elected officials or candidates for elective office:**

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.\*

Your signature 

Date signed September 28, 2011

Place signed (city and county)

Woodinville

King

City

County

**Attachments**

Check here if you are attaching copies of documentary evidence or extra pages explaining your complaint.

*\*RCW 9A.72.040 says that "(1) A person is guilty of false swearing if he makes a false statement which he knows to be false, under an oath required or authorized by law. (2) False swearing is a misdemeanor."*