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Public Disclosure Commission

Washington State Public Disclosure Commission

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To whom it may concern,

Pursuant to chapter 42.17 RCW, I would like to lodge a formal complaint relating to Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen.

His filings have been routinely late, but in the last six months, he has fallen sharply out of compliance. When I discussed this with PDC staff in February 2011, they said they would look into it, but the problem has not been corrected.

The worst offense is that Owen apparently received \$28,470 in contributions during November or December with no disclosure of the source of the money.

It is exactly this circumstance that drove the voters to create the Public Disclosure Commission in the first place and to require full and timely disclosure. An important legislative session has come and gone, but the special interest contributions given to Owen are still hidden from public view.

After decades in Olympia, the Lt. Governor surely knows the law.

In reviewing the PDC forms he submitted, there are several discrepancies:

- He failed to file a C3 for a 9/21 deposit of \$975
- He failed to file a C4 for the months of November and December of 2011
- The first C4 filed for 2012 showed a discrepancy of \$28,470 in contributions and \$18,851 in expenditures

There were a few other issues with his reports. He filed three amended C4's for October 2011, the last of which was filed on December 10, 2011. This third amended October 2011 C4 showed a previous total of expenditures of \$4,892.51 – a difference of \$1,453.80 from the previous C4 period. Nowhere is this additional expenditure itemized or explained.

In addition, Mr. Owen was late on seven of the nine C4's he actually turned in for his 2012 campaign.

This news is troubling given that we are issuing this complaint over 4 months after the November C4 was due.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Joel Graves

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**Certification for a
Complaint to the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission Relating to an
Elected Official or Candidate for Public Office
(Notary Not Required)**

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the facts set forth in this attached complaint are true and correct.

Your signature: Joel Graves

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Place Signed (City and County): Olympia Thurston
City County

*RCW 9A.72.040 provides 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."

COMPLAINT ATTACHED