



STATE OF WASHINGTON
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

In the Matter of Enforcement Action
Against

Kristina Macomber

Respondent.

PDC Case No. 14-020

Notice of Administrative Charges
(Brief Enforcement Hearing)

I. Jurisdiction

1. The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to Chapter 42.17A RCW, the state campaign finance and disclosure laws; Chapter 34.05 RCW, the Administrative Procedure Act; and Title 390 WAC. These charges incorporate the Report of Investigation and all related exhibits by reference.

II. Allegations

2. PDC staff alleges that Kristina Macomber, a candidate for King County Council, Position 9 in the 2013 primary election, violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to file any Cash Receipts Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports) and Campaign Summary Receipts & Expenditures reports (C-4 reports) during the campaign.

III. Facts

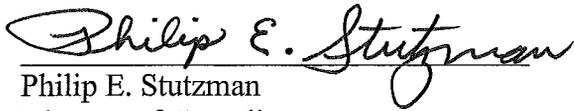
3. Kristina Macomber was a first-time candidate for public office, and her 2013 campaign for King County Council failed to file any C-3 or C-4 reports during the election.
4. After repeated attempts to contact Ms. Macomber, PDC staff contacted Brandy Keippala, campaign treasurer, who sent an email to PDC staff stating she spoke with Ms. Macomber who confirmed: *"...that the only expenditures were out of her own pocket. She received no campaign contributions. I know that she paid for some flyers (approx \$100), a PO Box for three months, and the campaign fee. I have on my records that we filed a C-1 on June 24, 2013..."*

5. PDC staff reviewed the PDC's 2013 expenditures database and Ms. Macomber's campaign website and found: (1) the filing fee for a King County Council candidate in 2013 was \$1,395.91; (2) candidate expenditures for Post Office box rentals covering three to six months were disclosed as costing between \$30 to \$74; and (3) candidate expenditures for campaign websites included domain names for as little as \$10 and website hosting fees for as low as \$20 to \$30.
6. Based on staff's review, it was estimated that Ms. Macomber's 2013 campaign spent less than \$2,000 in total during the 2013 primary election which included: (1) \$1,395.91 for the filing fee; (2) \$100 to print flyers; (3) \$50 for a three month post office box rental; and (4) less than \$50 to create a generic website.

IV. Law

RCW 42.17A.235 and **.240** require political committees to file timely, accurate reports of monetary and in-kind contributions, including contributions pledged but not received, and monetary and in-kind expenditures, including debts, orders placed and obligations. The reports are filed monthly following an excess of \$200 in contribution or expenditure activity, except during the five months before the election, during which time summary reports of receipts and expenditures are required to be filed 21 days and again 7 days before each election in which the committee is participating. The reports must disclose any debt, obligation, note, unpaid loan, or other liability valued at more than \$250, or valued at more than \$50 that has been outstanding for over thirty days. Any contributions received and expenditures made prior to the date of registration must be disclosed on the day the registration is filed. Reports of contributions must include the name and address of any contributor who has given more than \$25 in the aggregate.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 20th day of November, 2014.


Philip E. Stutzman
Director of Compliance