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October 19, 2015

Sent electronically to Trisha Sanders "sanders4ksd1@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Russell Hanscom, PDC Case No. 15-91

Dear Ms. Sanders:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent to Russell Hanscom concerning a complaint he filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) on October 1, 2015. The complaint alleged that you violated RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to file a Candidate Registration (C-1 report), and RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

As noted in the letter to Mr. Hanscom, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking enforcement action in this matter since you completed the "Statement of Termination of Campaign" form ending your candidacy with the PDC.

If you have questions, please contact me at (360) 664-8854, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [kurt.young@pdcc.wa.gov](mailto:kurt.young@pdcc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

Kurt Young  
PDC Compliance Officer

Endorsed by:

Evelyn Lopez  
Executive Director



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October 19, 2015

Sent electronically to Russell Hanscom "russ\_hanscom@hotmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed against Trisha Sanders, PDC Case No. 15-91

Mr. Hanscom:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on October 1, 2015. Your complaint alleged that Trisha Sanders, a candidate seeking the office of School Director in the Kent School District in 2015, violated RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to file a Candidate Registration (C-1 report), and RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

For your information, the PDC does not have jurisdiction over a candidate's residency issue, and you should direct your concerns to King County Elections. PDC staff reviewed your allegations in light of PDC laws and rules in order to determine whether a formal investigation or enforcement action is warranted.

Staff reviewed your complaint, and a September 2015 email exchange between Ms. Sanders and PDC staff. Based on staff's review, we found that:

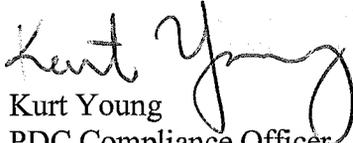
- Ms. Sanders failed to file a C-1 report or an F-1 report.
- Ms. Sanders was sent a Brief Enforcement hearing notice on September 10, 2015, for a September 22, 2015 Brief Enforcement Hearing for failing to file a C-1 and F-1 report.
- On September 19, 2015, Ms. Sanders submitted an email to PDC staff in which she attached a "Statement of Termination of Campaign" form, notifying PDC staff that she was terminating her campaign, which ended her candidacy from the PDC's perspective, and PDC staff cancelled the hearing.

I have attached a copy of the "Statement of Termination of Campaign" form submitted by Ms. Sanders. For these reasons, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing enforcement action in this case.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. The process relies on citizens monitoring campaign activity to promote full compliance with the law. Your actions will contribute to better awareness of campaign restrictions and prohibitions.

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 664-8854, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at kurt.young@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

  
Kurt Young  
PDC Compliance Officer

Endorsed by:

  
Evelyn Fielding Lopez  
Executive Director

cc: Trisha Sanders

Enclosure: Trisha Sanders "Statement of Termination of Campaign" form



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## **Jacob Berkey**

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**From:** sanders4ksd1 <sanders4ksd1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 19, 2015 2:21 AM  
**To:** Jacob Berkey  
**Subject:** RE: Notice: PDC 16-147

Mr. Berkey,

I have sent this from back and am still receiving court appearance request. I am filling this out again as I am not actively seeking and do not wish to run for the school board director position.

### **Statement of Termination of Campaign**

**Name: Patricia Sanders**

**Office Sought: School Board Director**

**Jurisdiction: Kent**

1. I have terminated my campaign. I understand that this statement is not an official withdrawal from the campaign, which can only be done with the appropriate elections office, and not with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).
2. I will not campaign for my election. I will not solicit or accept campaign contributions, monetary or in-kind. I will not make campaign expenditures, including from personal funds.
3. If elected, I will not accept the office.
4. I understand that if I terminate my campaign; do not campaign for my election; do not solicit or accept campaign contributions, monetary or in-kind; do not make campaign expenditures, including from personal funds; and if elected, do not accept the office, the PDC will not conduct enforcement for my failure to file the reports required by RCW 42.17A.
5. I understand that if I win and accept the office, the PDC will conduct enforcement for failure to file reports required by RCW 42.17A.

**Typed Name or Signature: Patricia Sanders**

**Date Submitted or Signed 9/19/2015**

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

----- Original message -----

From: Jacob Berkey <jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov>

Date: 08/10/2015 15:14 (GMT-08:00)

To: sanders4ksd1 <sanders4ksd1@gmail.com>

Cc:

Subject: RE: Notice: PDC 16-147

Patricia –

I do not have that form on file.

There is a version below that you can return via email.

Thank you,

Jacob

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**Typed Name or Signature:**

**Date Submitted or Signed:**

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**From:** sanders4ksd1 [mailto:sanders4ksd1@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 1:07 PM

**To:** Jacob Berkey <jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Notice: PDC Hearing Thursday

I contacted you upon receiving the letter that I am not actively running. You sent me a form to fill out.

Patricia Sanders

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

----- Original message -----

From: Jacob Berkey <[jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov)>

Date: 08/10/2015 12:35 (GMT-08:00)

To: Jacob Berkey <[jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov)>

Cc:

Subject: Notice: PDC Hearing Thursday

Candidate,

This is my final attempt to reach you. On July 24, 2015 I sent you a letter regarding a hearing scheduled for Thursday, August 10, 2015. This Hearing is to determine if you are in violation of RCW 42.17A for a missing C1 and/or F1 report. The Hearing is your opportunity to avoid penalties ranging up to \$500.

I have attached a copy of the letter template, a Statement of Understanding, and the penalty schedule to this email.

Please let me know if you plan on attending Thursday's hearing.

Thank you,

**Jacob Berkey, MPA**

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