Complaint Description

Erin Schultz (Fri, 13 Jul at 6:58 PM)

I would like to report a possible campaign reporting violation. Either a Campaign or an Independent Expenditure has uploaded a website (<u>https://www.mylinh4education.org/</u>) that is in direct opposition to State Representative candidate My-Linh Thai in the 41st LD, and has failed to provide any form of sponsor identification.

A coworker spoke with Scott at the PDC who suggested filing a reporting violation because of this lack of identification.

The domain name was transferred in June

(https://whois.icann.org/en/lookup?name=www.mylinh4education.org), but the owner has hidden their name from the public registry. They must also be paying for hosting, and content is regularly changing on the site including a blog.

This website and its creators should be required to provide identification as stated in RCW 42.17A.320.

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

Either a candidate or an Independent Expenditure is negatively campaigning against State Representative Candidate My-Linh Thai without any identification. Whether it is another candidate's campaign or an IE, this lack of identification information obfuscates the sponsor and allows biased and inaccurate attack on Thai's record that may reach potential voters.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.

https://www.mylinh4education.org/

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List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

Complaint Certification:

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