From: <u>Tabatha Blacksmith</u>
To: <u>"Hong Zhiqing"</u>

Cc: haihua yun@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

Date: Friday, July 27, 2018 4:06:00 PM Attachments: 38324 Yun Haihua complaint.pdf

Hi Jason,

The original complaint was attached to the email I sent to you and Haihua Yun at 2:39PM today. For your convenience, I have also attached a copy of the complaint to this email.

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has jurisdiction over and enforces Washington's campaign finance and disclosure laws. Your website appears to contain political advertising because it opposes a candidate. Political advertising is subject to certain disclosures, such as the name and address of the sponsor (e.g. website owner). A definition of "political advertising" can be found in RCW 42.17A.005(39)

For more information regarding the PDC's mission and legal authority, please visit https://www.pdc.wa.gov/about-pdc

Sincerely,

Tabatha Blacksmith

Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator

Public Disclosure Commission

From: Hong Zhiqing <dingdinghzq@msn.com>

Sent: Friday, July 27, 2018 3:35 PM

To: Tabatha Blacksmith <tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov>

Cc: haihua yun@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

Hi Tabatha,

We still demand to see the original complaint against our site.

Also, please explain to us your jurisdiction over our site.

Thanks, Jason

From: Tabatha Blacksmith < tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov>

Sent: Friday, July 27, 2018 2:34:53 PM

To: Hong Zhiqing

Cc: haihua yun@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

Hi Jason,

Thank you for providing this information and your cooperation.

Yes, I would encourage you to update the website as soon as you can.

Please review the "Sponsor Requirements" section of our <u>Political Advertising Guide</u> for guidance on what information should be disclosed and how it should look.

Meanwhile, I have updated our records so future emails regarding this complaint will be sent directly to Haihua Yun with a "cc" to you.

Sincerely,

Tabatha Blacksmith

Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator
Public Disclosure Commission

From: Hong Zhiqing <<u>dingdinghzq@msn.com</u>>

Sent: Friday, July 27, 2018 12:18 PM

To: Tabatha Blacksmith < tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov>

Cc: haihua yun@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

OK, the site owner is:

Haihua Yun, 3319 Evergreen Point Road, Medina, 98039.

Do we need to update the website to include those information as well?

Thanks, Jason

From: Tabatha Blacksmith < tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov>

Sent: Friday, July 27, 2018 12:00:21 PM

To: Hong Zhiqing

Cc: haihua_yun@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

Hi Jason,

Thank you for your email.

Your website may constitute "political advertising" because it is a digital, mass communication used for the purpose of opposing a candidate – specifically My-Linh Thai, a State Representative candidate in the 41st Leg. District. A definition of "political advertising" can be found in RCW 42.17A.005(39).

RCW 42.17A.320 states that all written political advertising must, at minimum, include the sponsor's (legal) name and address, which is missing from the website. Depending on who paid for the site, additional disclosures may also be required on the website.

A "sponsor" is the person who paid for the website. It is not necessary to endorse a candidate to be a sponsor.

• Please kindly provide the names and email addresses of the Bellevue residents that own the site so that we may send you additional information.

Sincerely,

Tabatha Blacksmith

Tabatha Blacksmith
Compliance Coordinator
Public Disclosure Commission

From: Hong Zhiqing <<u>dingdinghzq@msn.com</u>>

Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 2:37 PM

To: Tabatha Blacksmith < tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov >; haihua_yun@hotmail.com **Subject:** RE: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

Hi Tabatha.

Good afternoon!

The site is run by several Bellevue residents. We don't endorse anybody so we do not think RCW 42.17A.320 applies.

Can you let me know what is the nature of the complain? What they accused of us violated?

Thanks, Jason

From: no-reply@parastorage.com <no-reply@parastorage.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 9:14:36 AM

To: haihua yun@hotmail.com

Subject: New message via your website, from tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov

You have a new message:

Via: https://www.mylinh4education.org/

Message Details:

- o Name Tabatha Blacksmith
- o **Email** tabatha.blacksmith@pdc.wa.gov
- o **Subject** Complaint received re: website
- Message The Washington State Public Disclosure Commission has received a complaint regarding this website alleging it violates RCW 42.17A.320. Please provide us with the name and email address of the person responsible for this site so that we may contact them directly regarding this matter. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sent on: 26 July, 2018

Thank you!