Complaint Description

File a Formal Complaint - John Geniuch

John reported (Fri, 29 Jun at 4:57 PM)

To Whom It May Concern --

It has come to my attention that Ron Krebs -- the incumbent Sheriff for San Juan County -has violated RCW 42.17A.555 by using his county patrol car to order campaign signs from a local print shop while on duty for the county.

While checking my PO box at approximately 12:37 PM on Friday June 29th, I observed Krebs' official county patrol vehicle parked outside the Printonyx building at 470 Reed St in Friday Harbor. See photo of Krebs' patrol vehicle & time stamp of photo attached.

This aroused my interest because I know that Krebs has previously misused county resources for campaign purposes in the past.

A few minutes later, I observed Krebs exiting Printonyx dressed in his official county uniform. He quickly looked around the parking lot, entered his patrol vehicle and drove off.

I entered the Printonyx building and asked to view the commercial books of account for the business per RCW 42.17A.345 to determine if Krebs had just placed an order for campaign signs.

While the person behind the counter went to get the manager to get the commercial books of account, I noticed that there was a receipt from Krebs' order on the counter in plain view. I took a picture of this receipt and it is attached to this complaint.

Please note that Sheriff Krebs has already been put on notice that public resources cannot be used for campaign purposes when I filed two earlier complaints against him for using photos of himself in county uniform on his campaign website and campaign business cards. Using county resources for campaign purposes is also a violation of county ordinance and policy.

Contact me immediately if you need any additional information to process this complaint.	
Best,	
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What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

See Complaint

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

See Complaint

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

Self

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.