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Hello Micaiah,

This note is in response to the complaint filed by Ms. Segers related to: 1) the placement of a yard sign on city sidewalk not owned by private property, and 2) for not having my political affiliation noted on my yard sign. I address each complaint separately below:

Yard sign placement: I was not aware of the placement of that sign in that location, but it has since been removed.

Political affiliation: I am not affiliated with any political organization, and the both voters' pamphlet and PDC state that accordingly. Prior to filing, I contacted the PDC office in early May to seek direction on how to identify myself on signs and received advice from Chip Beatty that it would be best to not have an identifier on my signs, which is what I have done.

It would seem disingenuous to state an affiliation on the yard sign when I have official filed as not having an affiliation. Ironically, I see that other candidates have filed with the County Auditor as having no affiliation, but have identified themselves as Independents on their yard signs. That implies that they are supported by the Independent Party, which seems to me is misleading to voters.

On another note, I reviewed RCW 42.17A.320 regarding political activities, and I do not see the relevance to the complaint filed by the individual. Regardless, I thank the PDC for its support, training, and advice as I run for public office.

Bob Bugert