

Complaint Description

File a Formal Complaint - Anthony Wallace

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On Wednesday, September 5, 2018 I went to the Whatcom Republicans website found at www.whatcomgop.com

Using basic site navigation to the page "Meet your GOP Team" found at <http://www.whatcomgop.com/your-gop-team/>, it became readily apparent at a glance that Whatcom Republicans purports to have a Treasurer, Russ Dzialo. In case the website changes, I have archived it here : <http://archive.fo/Ju3hX>

Yet review of the Whatcom County Republican Party C1PC does not show this name anywhere.

How long has Russ Dzialo been treasurer for Whatcom GOP, and why is Terry Cox listed as the treasurer?

This also gives rise to the question as to whether the Treasurer or local Republican party is functionally lying to the public via the Whatcom GOP website trying to make it appear as though they have a treasurer when they do not, and if Mr. Dzialo has been performing the duties, was it done using credentials not issued to him?

I am therefore alleging a violation of RCW 42.17A.205 (2)(c), as the WAC at 390-05-245 defines committee officer as: "...any person designated by the committee as an officer on the C-1 or C-1pc registration statement and any person who alone or in conjunction with other persons makes, directs, or authorizes contribution, expenditure, strategic or policy decisions on behalf of the committee" .

Further, did the treasurer make any expenditures?

If so, does it constitute unauthorized expenditure of funds by an individual not listed as an officer on C-1PC form? (Violation of RCW 42.17A.425)

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

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solicit donations. If they do not have one, they shouldn't show one on the website. If they do have one, it needs to be reflected in the C1PC for their organization. They can't have it both ways. It is also possible that a non listed individual has been making expenditures from a political committee.

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

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List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

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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.