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November 14, 2018

Delivered electronically to Terah Pitchford, Chair of 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee at "chair@17thdems.org"

Subject: PDC Case 34116

Dear Terah Pitchford:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Glen Morgan concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted below to Glen Morgan, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking further enforcement action in this matter.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of the timely disclosure of all contribution and expenditure activities, including prompt amendments when necessary, in future years even when you are not supporting candidates by making monetary or in-kind contributions.

If you have questions, you may contact Jennifer Hansen at 1-360-586-4560 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail jennifer.hansen@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,
/s
Jennifer Hansen
Compliance Officer
Endorsed by,
/s
Barbara Sandahl
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Delivered electronically to Glen Morgan at "glen@wethegoverned.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee, PDC Case 34116

Dear Glen Morgan:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on April 10, 2018. Your complaint alleged that the 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee may have violated RCW 42.17A.235, .265, .205, .220, .320, .255 for failure to timely and accurately disclose contributions, expenditures, books of account, committee registration, and sponsor ID.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations, and as a result of staff's review, we found the following:

- No evidence was provided to substantiate any allegations outside of late filing of C-3 and C-4 reports in violation of RCW 42.17A.235.
- The majority of the alleged violations were found for amended C-3 and C-4 reports showing no changes or small monetary contributions and expenditures, most under \$100 dollars.
- The 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee did file a small number of C-3 and C-4 reports late including the largest late C-3 report disclosing \$515 deposit submitted 91 days late and one amended C-4 report disclosing a \$1,100 expenditure for tickets to a Clark County Democratic Central Committee fundraiser submitted 85 days late.
- PDC staff's review of the contributions made by the 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee during the 2015 and 2017 election years did not show candidate contributions requiring further detailed reporting.

Based on these findings, staff has determined that in this instance, failure to timely file a small number of C-3 and C-4 reports covering minor activity, does not amount to an actual material violation

warranting further investigation. PDC staff is reminding the 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee about the importance of the timely disclosure of all contribution and expenditure activities, including prompt amendments when necessary, in future years even when they are not supporting candidates by making monetary or in-kind contributions.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1), and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing further enforcement action in this case.

If you have questions, you may contact Jennifer Hansen at 1-360-586-4560 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at jennifer.hansen@pdc.wa.gov.

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cc: 17th Legislative District Democratic Central Committee