

File a Formal Complaint - Walter Smith (Complaint submitted on behalf of Karen Hardy)

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To whom it may concern,

I write on behalf of my client, Karen Hardy, to notify you that there is good reason to believe violations of chapter 42.17A RCW, Washington State's campaign finance law, have been committed by State Representative Jacquelin Maycumber and her candidate authorized committee. My client has requested that you treat this filing as a complaint to the Public Disclosure Commission as provided by RCW 42.17A.105(5).

Failures to timely report orders, debts, and obligations in Public Disclosure Commission form C-4 reports and Schedule B ("In Kind Contributions, Pledges, Orders, Debts, Obligations") (5 Apparent Violations)

Respondents apparently filed no Schedule B reporting of debts, obligations, or orders during their 2017 campaign for the State House of Representatives. This would be appropriate if no orders, debts, or obligations exceeding \$250 in value were incurred in any given reporting period, but paid in full at a later time. RCW 42.17A.235, .240. It appears, however, that unreported activity occurred, and that various reports of debts, orders, and obligations were not timely filed.

Representative Maycumber reported making a payment from her authorized committee's funds of \$10,000 to The ROC Foundation dated August 16, 2017 (after the August primary election), and another \$10,000 payment to the same vendor dated November 8, 2017 (after the November general election). However, during a pre-election inspection, my client learned from the campaign's books and records that Representative Maycumber had signed an agreement with The ROC Foundation on July 1, 2017 to compensate the vendor in the amount of \$10,000, contingent on winning the August 2017 primary, and again in the amount of \$10,000, contingent on winning the November 2017 general election. The contingent liabilities for these amounts should have been reported on Schedule B each reporting period from July 2017 through the date the liabilities were paid in full on November 8, 2017—a total of five reports. WAC 390-16-042. However, Respondents did not report the contingent liabilities as required by law.

Please advise if you should have any question about this complaint, and please let me know if the Commission schedules any hearing, or Commission staff takes enforcement action or issues any other final action about the allegations listed above.

Sincerely,

Walter Smith