

Chapman replied 15 days ago (Mon, 3 Sep at 12:41 PM)

To: pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Mr. Agina, thank you for allowing me to respond to the Citizen Action Notice filed by Glen Morgan.

As I understand the situation you received some complaints regarding failure to timely file C-3 and C-4 reports.

To the best of my knowledge none of the reports that Mr. Morgan lists in his complaint were filed late. They were either not required to be filed, they were an amendment, or were filed by a PDC approved deadline. It should be noted that my volunteer campaign treasurer at the time of complaint, Mr. Charles McClain, is a CPA, reputable local businessman, former school board director & campaign volunteer who filed numerous C3, C4, and all other required reports during the course of my 2016 campaign and he has demonstrated a firm commitment to filing timely reports. I firmly believe to the best of my ability that we complied with the intent of the law. I am willing to amend any reports to further clarify and comply with the law.

Regarding the failure to accurately, timely report debt.

I believe Mr. McClain reported debt items in a timely manner on each C4 report. It appears from this complaint that Glen Morgan just lists most of the committee's expenses and claims they should have been reported as debt on the previous C4 report without explanation or review. I believe everything on Glen Morgan's list of debt items were either reported as debt on the appropriate C4, a pre-payment of a future expense, or an expense that was incurred and paid within the same reporting period. I am willing to amend any reports to further clarify and comply with the law.

Regarding the failure to properly break down and describe expenses.

Again, I believe Mr. McClain listed the description of each campaign expenditure at issue on the required campaign reports. The reports identified the parties to whom each expenditure was paid, the dollar value, and the purpose of the expenditure, which is consistent with the requirements under state law. I am willing to amend any reports to further clarify and comply with the law.

Regarding the failure to properly break down expenses.

I believe that all expenses were accurately reported and if not, I am willing to amend any reports to further clarify and comply with the law.

Regarding the unauthorized transfer of campaign funds.

I am unsure exactly what PDC rule was violated. Again, I am willing to amend any reports to further clarify and comply with the law.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this complaint. Please let us know if you have any questions or require further information.

Finally, I would like to add that I am currently acting as my own treasurer, due to Mr McClain's health concerns. Since taking over as treasurer in May 2018 I have filed every report accurately and on or before all due dates. I believe any lingering concerns have been dealt, the public has a accurate record of my campaign finances and I see no problems in how I've conducted my campaign finance reporting since May. I am willing to accept any verbal warnings and/or probationary requirements as required by law.

Again, if you have any further questions or clarifications feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mike Chapman
State Representative 24th LD