Re: PDC - Stubbs, Ashley: Alleged violation of RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to file annual F-1 Statement of Personal Financial Affairs. (Group Enforcement 18)

Ashlev Stubbs (Fri, 26 Oct at 2:18 PM)

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Dear Fox.

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me on the phone today. Please consider this an official request for the commission to review my order, taking the following information into account:

I left my position as a Public Information Officer with the Washington state House of Representatives on January 12, 2018 after having worked there for just over 12 months. Although I did file a F-1 report in 2017 with the guidance of my direct supervisor, I am not intimately familiar with the process, the necessity as it related to my employment (especially having ended my employment with the House), or timing of the report filing deadlines. After leaving my job with the Legislature, I moved to Spokane County and did not think to update my contact information with the PDC.

While I see an email regarding this matter was sent to me on August 17, 2018, I did not see it until the second notice was sent on October 5, 2018. Following the very sudden passing of my mother in late June, I left my job in Spokane, left Washington state, and I was not actively checking my email at the time of the first notice.

I sincerely apologize for the delayed response to this important matter. Nothing is more important in representative government than transparency and accountability, and the PDC is on the frontlines of ensuring those standards are met in Washington state.

I have taken action and filed my F-1 report as requested. I'll make a point to file again next year as well, considering I was employed with the Legislature for the first 12 days of 2018.

Although my permanent address is still in Spokane, I'll be working out-of-state for the remainder of 2018. Please advise on the date selected by the commission to review my case, and I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to join the meeting via phone. Additionally, I would be more than happy to answer any outstanding questions. I can be reached by phone at (509)392-2144.

I hope you find this note helpful and will consider dismissing the fine. Thank you for your time and attention on this matter.

Sincerely, Ashley Stubbs