



**State of Washington
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Delivered electronically to Steve Young c/o Robert Thompson at
rjt@robertjthompsonlawoffice.com

Subject: Complaint filed by Roger Lenk against Steve Young, PDC Case 18253

Dear Steve Young:

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

As noted in the letter to Roger Lenk, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

However, pursuant to WAC 390-37-060(1)(b), this letter serves as a warning letter concerning the actions noted in the enclosed letter sent to Mr. Lenk. You are receiving this warning because, while serving as Mayor of the City of Kennewick in 2014, you forwarded an email to Marie Mosley, a City of Kennewick employee, concerning a Dan Newhouse fundraiser, that Ms. Mosley appears to have interpreted to be an indirect solicitation for a contribution to the 2014 Dan Newhouse for Congress campaign, an action prohibited by RCW 42.17A.565.

Staff expects that you will refrain from interactions with employees of the City of Kennewick that appear to be a solicitation of a contribution to a candidate for public office, political party, or political committee and will also refrain from sending campaign-related material to city employees at their work site, such as Ms. Mosley's city email account, because it increases the risk that the employee receiving the campaign material will respond to it using agency facilities. The Commission will consider the formal written warning in deciding on further Commission action if there are future violations of PDC laws or rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Phil Stutzman at 1-360-664-8853 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at phil.stutzman@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

/s _____
Phil Stutzman
Compliance Officer

/s _____
Peter Lavalley
Executive Director

Enclosure: Letter to Roger Lenk, Complainant