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Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding

Lewis "Rod" Higgins: PDC Case 23283

I, LEWIS R. HIGGINS, hereby acknowledge that I:
(Printed Name of Respondent)

Failed to timely file the following three Summary Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports) for my 2017 campaign for re-election to the Spokane Valley City Council, in violation of RCW 42.17A.235:

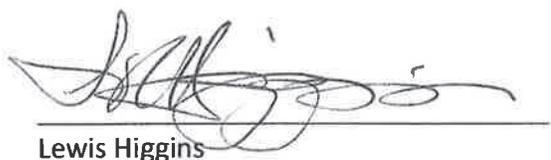
1. **21-day Pre-Primary Election C-4 report:** The 21-Day Pre-Primary Election C-4 report was required to have been filed by the Committee to Re-Elect Rod Higgins (Campaign) on July 11, 2017. The C-4 report was filed by the Campaign on August 7, 2017, 28 days late and six days after the August 1, 2017 primary election had been held. The C-4 report disclosed \$4,575 in contributions received, \$1,544 in expenditures made, that included \$935 to print 10,100 "slim Jim" political advertisements and \$350 for website development.
2. **7-day Pre-Primary Election C-4 report:** The 7-Day Pre-Primary Election C-4 report was required to have been filed by the Campaign on July 25, 2017. The C-4 report was filed by the Campaign on August 7, 2017, 15 days late and six days after the August 1, 2017 primary election had been held. The C-4 report disclosed \$1,200 in contributions received, and \$1,645 in expenditures made, that included \$955 for a joint mailer, \$473 for design of a campaign postcard, and \$217 for postage to mail the postcards.
3. **7-day Pre-General Election C-4 report:** The 7-Day Pre-General Election C-4 report was required to have been filed on October 31, 2017. The C-4 report was filed by the Campaign on November 12, 2017, 13 days late and five days after the November 7, 2017 general election had been held. The C-4 report disclosed \$800 in contributions received, and \$542 in expenditures made, that included \$300 for radio political advertisements.

Lewis Higgins would like to avoid the time and expense resulting from a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing) being scheduled by Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) staff.

Therefore, in lieu of PDC staff scheduling a Brief Enforcement Hearing, I am completing this Statement of Understanding, and enclosing a check or money order in the amount of \$450 as a penalty payment in this matter.

The \$450 penalty being assessed includes \$150 for each of the three-acknowledged violations of RCW 42.17A.235 by my 2017 Campaign for failing to timely file C-4 reports, in accordance with the Penalty Schedule adopted by the Commission for Brief Enforcement Hearings set forth in WAC 390-37-143.

I understand that by completing this Statement of Understanding, I am acknowledging the violations of RCW 42.17A set forth above, and am waiving my right to a hearing in this matter.


Lewis Higgins

5 JUNE 2018
Date Signed

Please make your check or money order payable to the **“Washington State Treasurer”** and be sure to include the PDC Case number in the memorandum field, and mail or deliver this Statement of Understanding along with your payment to:

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