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RE: PDC Case 26542; Clark County Democratic Women Response to Citizen Complaint – Glen Morgan

Dear Mr. Perkins,

The Clark County Democratic Women are in receipt of the complaint filed against us on October 12. Our organization has taken the time to review the claims that Mr. Morgan has made in his complaint, and we have prepared the below responses.

1) Failure to file accurate, timely C3 and C4 reports. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.235)

Mr. Morgan's Exhibit C is reflective of the fact that our organization was in a dormant state (end of 2016 and beg. of 2017). Upon re-establishment of the organization our Treasurer, Terah Pitchford, was in close contact with PDC staff to clarify details including our organization's password to ORCA, historical data, and to provide updates on the status of the organization. It is also true that at other times, amended reports were filed in order to ensure that the most up-to-date information was always recorded with the Public Disclosure Commission.

2) Failure to accurately, timely report debt. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.240 (8), see WAC 390-05-295)

At no point during the time period in question did the organization incur any debts. Mr. Morgan's calculations are assumed, inaccurate, and confusing. Both the expenses cited in Mr. Morgan's exhibit B were ordered and paid in the same month.

3) Failure to properly break down, describe expenses (ViolatCW 42.17A.235, see WAC 390-16-205, WAC 390-16-037)

In this case, the expenditure in question was a reimbursement from the organization, to our President, Katie Archer Jolma. Mrs. Jolma had paid, from personal funds, to secure a Post Office Box for the organization. The sub-vendor, which was the US Postal Service, was identified in ORCA in the Memos section of the report and was not reflected on the original C4. Since we became aware of this, we have made the proper update and amended the report (confirmation # 100798302).

Mr. Morgan's suggestion that the Clark County Democratic Women may have acted maliciously is unfounded and far from the truth. Our organization respects the laws and regulations of the Public Disclosure Commission, and we will continue to make every effort to remain in compliance as we have for so long.

Sincerely,

Terah Pitchford

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