

File a Formal Complaint - Glen Morgan

Glenmorgan89 reported 20 hours ago (Thu, 12 Jan at 3:23 PM) via Portal Meta

To Whom it May Concern --

It has come to my attention that the PAC "People for Thurston" has committed additional violations of RCW 42.17A.

1) Failure to timely, accurately report debt. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.240(8))

In the description box for legal services reported as debt on their 1/10/17 C4, they note that it is for "Dec. bill for svc **11/21-12/31/16**". [emphasis added]

This debt was illegally not reported on their C4 (filed 12/12/16) covering the time period of 11/1/16 to 11/31/16. They also failed to report the in-kind contribution of discounted legal services on their C4 covering the time period of 11/1/16 to 11/31/16.

The C4 for the preceding time must be amended to include this information.

2) Failure to report last minute contributions. (See RCW 42.17A.265)

The committee failed to report the following last minute contributions within the 48 hour time limit on an LMC form, as required by law:

THURSTON ENVIRONMENTAL VOTERS 10/18/2016 \$1,000.00 N OLYMPIA WA 98501

WASHINGTON CONSERVATION VOTERS ACTION FUND 10/27/2016 \$1,000.00 N SEATTLE WA 98101

3) Failure to timely report contribution (pledge). (Violation of RCW 42.17A.235, see RCW 42.17A.005 (13)(a)(i))

As evidenced on the committee's 1/10/17 C4, People for Thurston has a negative balance of \$336.64.

As the sole committee officer, Jay Manning is ultimately liable for the deficit run up by his committee. I believe that he (or JZ Knight/Ramtha) intends to pay the legal balance that is currently owed to the law firm. This intention must be reported as a pledge.

4) Failure to list Christian Sinderman and JZ Knight/Ramtha as committee officers. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.205 (2)(c), see WAC 390-05-245.

People for Thurston PAC failed to list Christian Sinderman as an officer, which is required by RCW 42.17A.205(2)(c).

As evidenced by the committee's initial response to Case #8981 on 11/21/16 Christian Sinderman met the definition of officer under WAC 390-05-245 because he, in conjunction with others, made, directed, or authorized expenditures, strategic or policy decisions on behalf of the committee.

Additionally, I also believe that JZ Knight/Ramtha should have been listed as a committee officer, because she/he/it, in conjunction with others, made, directed, or authorized expenditures, strategic or policy decisions on behalf of the committee. It is simply implausible that she/he/it would have donated such a large group of money without exercising control over how it was spent, or on what races it was spent.

5) Illegal unauthorized expenditure of funds by an individual not listed as an officer on C-1 form. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.425)

State law requires that: "No expenditures may be made or incurred by any candidate or political committee unless authorized by the candidate or the person or persons named on the candidate's or committee's registration form..."

Unfortunately, Christian Sinderman illegally made an expenditure to Publisher's Mailing Services and Capitol City Press on or about 10/16/2016. (See P4T PAC's response to Case #8981)

This expenditure (on or about 10/16/2016) was not authorized by any of the people named People for Thurston's C1PC registration form.

6) Failure to report earmarked contribution, illegally serving as a conduit for overlimit contributions. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.270, .405 see WAC 390-16-240)

State law requires that earmarked contributions be disclosed to the public.

Earmarked contributions include any contribution given to an intermediary or conduit, either a political committee, candidate or third party, with a designation, instruction, or encumbrance, whether direct or indirect, express or implied, oral or written, which is intended to result in or which does result in all or any part of the contribution being made to or for the promotion of certain candidates, state officials, or ballot propositions.

JZ Knight and the other contributors donated money to the PAC with the express purpose of promoting Kelsey Hulse and Jim Cooper, however, this was not reported as an earmarked contribution.

Additionally, per WAC 390-16-240 (2), the contributions that are earmarked count towards the applicable limits.

Therefore, People for Thurston PAC made the following illegal over limit contributions to Jim Cooper and Kelsey Hulse:

JZ KNIGHT
THURSTON-LEWIS-MASON COUNTIES LABOR COUNCIL
THURSTON ENVIRONMENTAL VOTERS

7) Failure to properly break down expenses. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.235, see WAC 390-16-205)

I believe that Christian Sinderman's consulting firm purchased three unique, high resolution stock photography images used on three of the mailers. (See attached images)

The first image overlooks Capitol Lake at sunset, where the Legislative building is visible. (Hulse mailer)

The second image overlooks Swantown Marina and also shows the Legislative building. (Cooper mailer)

The third image shows the Legislative building as seen from the Irv Newhouse Building. (Hulse mailer)

Unfortunately, these expenses were not properly broken down on the Committee's C4, as required by WAC 390-16-205.

I request that the PDC investigate these claims immediately.

Best regards,

Glen Morgan

1 Attachment

JPG [evidence.jpg](#)
(1.44 MB)

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The Olympian

The Olympian, November 14, 2014
Olympia City Councilman Jim Cooper, who leads a United Way regional organization, is the better of the two candidates... Cooper appears better informed, more constructive and... is the better choice.

**Jim
Cooper** (D)

KELSEY HULSE

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- ◆ Capital Campaign Manager, Thurston County Food Bank
- ◆ Development Director, Washington Combined Fund Drive