

File a Formal Complaint - Glen Morgan

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To Whom it May Concern --

The PAC "**PEOPLE FOR THURSTON CO**", has violated RCW 42.17A and WAC 390 on numerous occasions.

1) The PAC violated WAC 390-18-060 (3) by failing to electronically report electioneering communications in a timely manner as required by law.

This rule reads as follows: "When the electioneering communication or communications - Including radio or television transmissions, mailings, billboards, newspapers and/or periodicals - Reach the \$1,000 threshold, the sponsor shall electronically report to the commission as required by RCW 42.17A.305 within twenty-four hours of, or on the first working day after, the date the electioneering communication is first broadcast, transmitted, erected, distributed, or otherwise published."

This mailer was received by voters on Monday, 10/17/2016. Because it is impossible to mail on the weekends, it must have been sent on or before Saturday, 10/15/2016. Construed in the most favorable manner, this expenditure must have been filed electronically by the end of Sunday, 10/16/2016 to be compliant. As I write this complaint on Tuesday morning, it has still not been filed.

Because of the failure to report electronically in a timely fashion, voters are unable to see who paid for the mailer after they received it, which defeats the purpose of RCW 42.17A.

2) According to the PDC's guide "Sponsor Identification - Independent Expenditures & Electioneering Communications", the partisan affiliation of the candidates identified in the mailer must be identified. As you can see from the attached mailer, they were not identified. The mailer should have clearly identified Jim Cooper as a Democrat, and John Hutchings an Independent. This is a violation.

3) Jay Manning lives at 4928 Cooper Point Road, and not 4829. This is cited incorrectly on the C1PC registration.

4) The mailer incorrectly orders the Top 5 contributors to the PAC (which is required by law) in an attempt to obfuscate the fact that the vast majority of the money comes from JZ Knight, who is such a politically toxic figure in our state that the Washington Democratic Party gave away her money in 2012 after she suggested that the Jews should have been able to buy their way out of the gas chambers during the Holocaust, and other disparaging and racist comments about Mexicans, Gays, Catholics, and Organic Farmers. In the current ordering, voters would have thought that the mailing was mostly being paid for by a local labor union, which is entirely inaccurate.

5) Donation from Washington State Conservation Voters has not been reported OR it was listed in error in the Top 5 contributors section. The mailer lists three donors: Thurston-Lewis-Mason Labor Council, Washington Conservation Voters, and JZ Knight. Unfortunately, the PAC only lists the donations from the Labor Council, and JZ Knight online. If the PAC has received a contribution from the Washington Conservation Voters, it must report it immediately, as it is already late.

6) Coordination between Jim Cooper, JK Knight, and Jay Manning is likely. If Cooper, Manning, and Knight collaborated on the planning or material of this mailer, it would constitute an in-kind contribution to Cooper's campaign well in excess of the maximum allowable by law, which would be a violation.

The PDC should investigate this to see if there was possible collaboration on this mailer. If so, a violation has occurred.

This PAC is administered by political veteran Jay Manning, who served as the Chief of Staff to Governor Gregoire. He is well aware of PDC requirements but has chosen to violate them on numerous occasions.

Many of these violations are deliberate attempts by Manning to disguise the influence being exercised by the bigoted cult leader JZ Knight over elections and control of the Democratic Party in Thurston County. This is due to the public backlash that would occur if the public were aware of who was footing the bill for this expenditure and most of the bill for a major local political party.

I urge the PDC to investigate these violations and take action **immediately** before it influences the outcome of the election.

Best,

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2 Attachments

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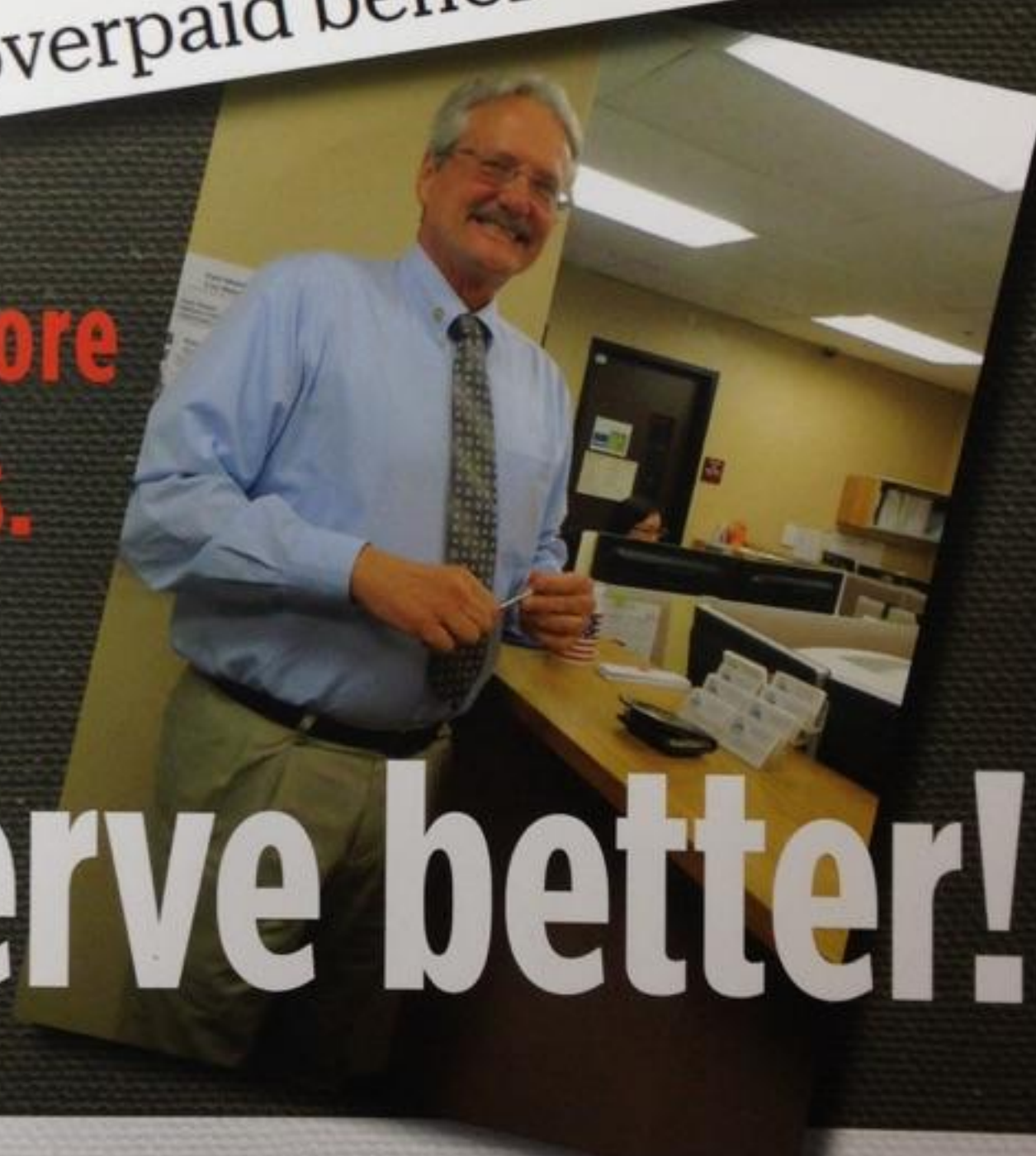
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John Hutchings left Tenino taxpayers on the hook for nearly \$90,000 of unauthorized retirement payments that he received from the state retirement fund at his former job.¹



**We can't afford more
John Hutchings.**

We deserve better!



**Let's elect Thurston County leaders
who give back to their community.**

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As an Army veteran,
Eagle Scout, and
CEO of United Ways
of the Pacific Northwest,
Jim Cooper
knows that public service
starts with giving back.



He's been doing it his entire career.