Respondent Name

Justin Raffa

Complainant Name

Bret Uhrich

Complaint Description

Bret Uhrich (Sat, 17 Oct 2020 at 3:03 PM)

Respondent is sending out unsolicited text messages to people they believe are constituents in the legislative district. In this situation, I do not live in the legislative district but I live close by. This shows the list was generated in a manner other than voluntarily providing his contact information to the campaign. This communication constitutes a "mass communication" as defined by WAC 390-05-290 and "political advertising" under subsection (3) as it is used for the purpose of appealing, directly or indirectly, for votes or for financial or other support or opposition in any election campaign. Under RCW 42.17A.320(1), this communication must include sponsor's name and address and preferred political party. In this case, the communication does not include the sponsor's address and does not state the candidates party preference (stating that Justin Raffa is supported by Democrats and Republicans, when he has a stated party preference of Democrats in his public disclosures)

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

Unsolicited text messages of all sorts are a scourge on society. They are a menace. Robo text messages and calls have been illegal under federal law since 1991 because everyone knows they suck. Campaigns think that if you have someone personally hit send, that they would be less annoying. That's not how this works. That's not how any of this works.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

Screenshots showing the offending text message as well as the link so they cannot lie and say the appropriate disclosures were linked.

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

Me.

"Kate" 989-301-8139

Certification (Complainant)

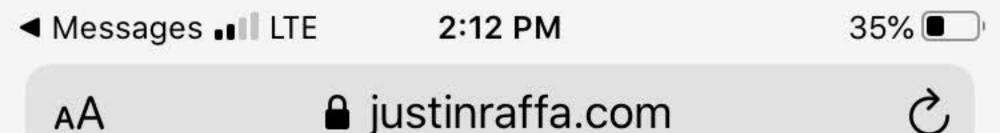
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elect Justin Raffa Benton County Commissioner, District 1

As a civil voice dedicated to representing all the constituents of Benton County, I am committed to listening and leading with a balanced and responsible approach. Please vote for me for Benton County Commissioner in District 1.

A Balanced Approach. A Civil Voice. The Responsible Choice.





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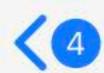
Justin Swag!













Text Message Today 12:44 PM

Hi this is Kate with the Friends of Justin Raffa Campaign.
Ballots are in the mail! Now more than ever, we need creative solutions for the challenges we face in Benton County. Endorsed by Republicans, Democrats and Independents, Justin is the responsible choice for Benton County Commissioner. To learn more, please visit https://ijustinraffa.com/

Today 2:18 PM

Not one but two different ethics violations in the same text message. Very impressive.

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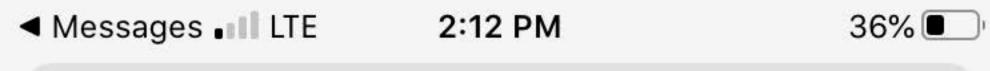












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