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July 20, 2021

Delivered electronically to will@wmckayconstruction.com

Subject: Complaint filed by Charles Torelli, PDC Case 89585

Dear William McKay, Jr.:

Below is a copy of an electronic letter sent to Charles Torelli concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

As noted in the letter, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1) and will not conduct a more formal investigation into these allegations or take further enforcement action in this matter.

If you have questions, contact Alice Fiman at (360) 586-4746, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

/s

Alice Fiman
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Endorsed by,

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Subject: Complaint regarding William McKay Jr., PDC Case 89585

Dear Charles Torelli:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint you filed April 28, 2021. The complaint alleged William McKay, Jr., a member of the Benton County Commission, may have violated RCW 42.17A.710 by failing to accurately disclose personal financial information on the Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements, exhibits provided in the complaint, the applicable PDC reports filed by William McKay, Jr., and the response from William McKay, Jr., to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- William McKay, Jr. (Will McKay) registered with PDC on May 11, 2020, declaring candidacy for Benton County Commissioner, Position 3. Will McKay was elected to the office in 2020.
- Personal financial information is disclosed by candidates at the start of a campaign and annually by elected officials, state boards and commissions members, state agency directors, and legislative and gubernatorial professional staff. This allows the public to assess whether officials may have conflicts of interest.
- RCW 42.17A.710 requires state, local, and judicial candidates to file the information with the PDC on a Personal Financial Affairs Statement within two weeks of becoming a candidate. The candidate is required to report information covering 12 months prior to the campaign start date.
- Officials are then required to file annual F-1 reports each year by April 15, with the information filed covering the previous calendar year.
- The complaint alleged Will McKay failed to disclose information on F-1 reports.

- On May 5 and July 20, 2021, Will McKay amended the F-1 report covering calendar year 2020.
- In response, Will McKay stated “I added Suebug Enterprises LLC. Suebug was who purchased the property from Udderly Williams. There was a mistake on when filing Udderly Williams. It should have been just my dad as the owner. There was never any interest in UW and I never had any moneys in UW. Just Suebug. I want to clarify that Suebug was forgotten, because I was in the process of buy the property personally, but then I brought on a partner at the last minute and formed the LLC. I thought that with Suebug being a property company and not an operating company it didn’t need to be listed. All of my other 3 LLC are operating. The big thing is this is my first campaign and completely new to me.”

Based on these findings staff has determined, in this instance, the allegation of failing to accurately disclose personal financial information on the Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1) does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

The Campaign made minor or ministerial errors on required reports, which did not materially impact the public interest. Upon notification of these errors, William McKay, Jr. timely amended reports, making the necessary technical corrections as requested by staff.

Based on this information, the PDC finds that no further action is warranted and has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

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