Respondent Name

Steve Kirby

Complainant Name

Richard "Rick" Hall

Complaint Description

Rick Hall (Sat, 1 May 2021 at 8:04 PM)

Rep. Steve Kirby reported campaign contributions received from two individuals on August 6, 2020, two days following the August 4, 2020 primary election. The amounts reported were \$2000 from each individual.

It appears that Mr. Kirby may have split post-primary contributions by allocating \$1000 from each person to support his primary campaign--which on August 6 was over of course--and \$1000 to support his general election campaign.

It appears the contributions were double the limit allowed by law for general election campaigns if the dates the contributions were received are reported accurately.

Mr. Kirby served as treasurer of his campaign, so he should be able to back up the dates these contributions were made. I am concerned that Mr. Kirby may have attempted to circumvent campaign finance law through his actions.

Note--I found no evidence in subsequent campaign reports that indicate a return of any excess campaign donations.

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

Impact on the Public:

As we know, the public is already suspicious of how campaign contributions often inappropriately influence the decisions of elected officials.

In this case, members of the public believe that Mr. Kirby, in his role as chairman of the House Consumer Protection and Business Committee, has made a special effort to support his campaign contributors, specifically those making 2020 election contributions to his campaign and listed on the C3 form referenced below.

The public's concerns about Mr. Kirby actions to support his contributors are alarming. They're most recently expressed here by the editorial board of the News Tribune: https://www.thenewstribune.com/opinion/article251070084.html

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

Please see attached form C3, dated August 6, 2020 for the Steve Kirby Campaign.

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

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.



CASH RECEIPTS MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS

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08-06-2020

Candidate or Committee Name (Do not abbreviate. Use full name.)

STEVEN T KIRBY (STEVE KIRBY CAMPAIGN)

Mailing Address

9415 TACOMA AVE. S.

City Zip + 4 Office Sought (candidates) Election Date

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

STATE REPRESENTATIVE 2020 TACOMA, WA 98444 1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT Date **Amount** Total Received a. Anonymous b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c)...... c. Loans, notes, security agreements. Attach Schedule L..... d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other). Attach explanation e. Small contributions \$25.00 or less not itemized and number of persons giving (persons) 2. CONTRIBUTIONS OVER \$25.00 Contributions of more than \$100:* Aggregate* Date R Ε Amount Employer's Name, City and State Contributor's Name, Address, City, State, Zip Total Received Х 08/06/20 JUSTIN KERR Doxiedor 13103 Meridian Ave. \$1,000.00 \$1,000.00 Puyallup, WA 98373 Puyallup, WA OccupationOWNER х 08/06/20 JUSTIN KERR Doxiedor 13103 Meridian Ave. \$1,000.00 \$1,000.00 Puyallup, WA 98373 Puyallup, WA OccupationOWNER Х 08/06/20 KAYLA KERR Doxiedor 13103 Meridian Ave. \$1,000.00 \$1,000.00 Puyallup, WA 98373 Puyallup, WA OccupationOWNER х 08/06/20 KAYLA KERR Doxiedor 13103 Meridian Ave. \$1,000.00 \$1,000.00 Puyallup, WA 98373 Puyallup, WA OccupationOWNER Occupation Sub-total \$4,000.00 Check here if additional Amount from \$0.00 pages are attached *See reverse attached pages 3. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT for details. \$4,000.00 Sum of parts 1 and 2 above. Enter this amount in line 1, Schedule A to C4. 4. Date of Deposit I certify that this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge Treasurer's Signature Date

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Treasurer's Daytime Telephone No.: (253)370-5737

08-06-2020

STEVEN KIRBY