

## State of Washington PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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June 3, 2021

Delivered electronically to "jeremiah.jc@gmail.com"

Subject: Complaint filed by Eric Halvorson, PDC Case 91156

Dear Jeremiah Campbell:

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

As noted in the letter to Eric Halvorson, 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.

PDC staff is reminding you about the importance of not using or authorizing the use of public facilities, including official email addresses. PDC staff expects in the future that you will not misuse public facilities, in accordance with PDC laws and rules.

If you have questions, you may contact Tabitha Townsend at 1-360-586-4555 or toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdc@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

Electronically signed by Tabitha Townsend

Tabitha Townsend Compliance Coordinator Electronically signed by Barbara Sandahl

Barbara Sandahl Deputy Director For Peter Lavallee Executive Director



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Delivered electronically to "ehalvorson@hotmail.com"

Subject: Complaint regarding Jeremiah Campbell, PDC Case 91156

Dear Eric Halvorson:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on May 17, 2021. The complaint alleged that Jeremiah Campbell (Respondent), a candidate for School Director for Monroe School District 103 may have violated RCW 42.17A.555 for misuse of public facilities.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations; the applicable statutes, rules, and reporting requirements; the response provided by the Respondent; and the applicable PDC reports filed by the Respondent to determine whether the record supports a finding of one or more violations.

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

- Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.555 no elective official nor any employee of his or her office nor any person appointed to or employed by any public office or agency may use or authorize the use of any of the facilities of a public office or agency, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of assisting a campaign for election of any person to any office or for the promotion of or opposition to any ballot proposition.
- On May 17, 2021 it was alleged that the Respondent misused public facilities by registering their campaign using their official email address.
- Original registration with the local election office, Snohomish County Elections, does show that the Respondent used their official school district email to register on May 17, 2021.
- On May 18, 2021 the Respondent contacted the Snohomish County Elections office to have the email address changed to their personal gmail account.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, registering with the official email address for less than one full day (24 hours) does not amount to a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Jeremiah Campbell about the importance of not using or authorizing the use of public facilities, including official email addresses.

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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cc: Jeremiah Campbell