



**State of Washington
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**

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July 10, 2021

Delivered electronically to David Churchman at “cdavechurchman@icloud.com”

Subject: Complaint regarding Davida Sharpe Haygood, PDC Case 92057

Dear David Churchman:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on June 1, 2021. The complaint alleged that Davida Sharpe Haygood, a candidate for Puyallup City Council in the 2021 election, may have violated RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to timely file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) disclosing financial activity for the previous twelve months after declaring her candidacy.

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:

- On May 19, 2021, Davida Sharpe Haygood submitted a Candidate Registration (C-1 report) declaring her candidacy for Puyallup City Council in the 2021 election.
- RCW 42.17A.700 requires that, within two weeks of becoming a candidate, every candidate shall file a statement of financial affairs for the preceding twelve months.
- The F-1 report was due no later than June 2, 2021 disclosing financial activity for the previous twelve months.
- The Respondent submitted the F-1 report electronically, two days late, on June 4, 2021 and apologized the late filing, stating that she did not believe she was a candidate until later in the month of May.
- During staff’s review of the specific dates in this case, it was noted that the complaint was submitted on June 1, 2021, one day before the F-1 was technically due. However, the report was file late on June 4, 2021.

It appears that late filing of the F-1 report by Davida Sharpe Haygood was due to a misunderstanding of the PDC’s statutory requirements and not done to withhold personal financial information from the public.

Based on our findings staff has determined that, in this instance, failure to timely file the candidate F-1 report disclosing financial activity for the previous twelve months does not amount to a finding of a violation that warrants further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Davida Sharpe Haygood about the importance of the timely disclosure of personal financial information as a candidate for elected office, and the timely filings of all future PDC reports in accordance with the statutes and rules.

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).

If you have questions, you may contact Jennifer Hansen at 1-360-586-4560 toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed

Jennifer Hansen
Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

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Barbara Sandahl
Deputy Director
For Peter Lavallee
Executive Director

cc: Davida Sharpe Haygood