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July 23, 2021

Sent electronically to John Amell, at John.r.amell@gmail.com

Subject: Complaint regarding Larry M. Carpenter, PDC Case 92435

Dear Mr. Amell:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on June 7, 2021. Your complaint alleged that Larry Carpenter, a first-time candidate for the office of City Council Member for the City of Mount Vernon, may have violated RCW 42.17A.205 for failure to timely file a Candidate Registration (C-1) report within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

PDC staff reviewed the applicable statute(s), rule(s), and reporting requirement(s) related to the Candidate Registration (C-1) report.

Based on staff review, we found the following:

- On March 9, 2021, Mr. Carpenter timely filed a Personal Financial Affairs Statement report (F-1) report with the PDC.
- On June 10, 2021, Mr. Carpenter filed a Candidate Registration (C-1) report with the PDC. The C-1 report was due no later than June 2, 2021, and was filed 8 days late.
- In his response to the complaint, received by the PDC on July 14, 2021, via telephone and email, Mr. Carpenter stated: "It completely slipped my mind and I neglected to file the report when it was due. I completed the form, submitted it as requested and got confirmation back."

While our review found that Larry Carpenter failed to timely file a Candidate Registration (C-1) report in a timely manner, we found no prior PDC violations against Larry Carpenter. Mr. Carpenter was also responsive to staff's request and filed the missing C-1 report as soon as the complaint was brought to his attention.

However, PDC staff will remind Larry Carpenter about the importance of filing a Candidate Registration (C-1) report in a timely manner in the future, as required by the statutory scheme.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1).

If you have questions, you may contact Erick Agina, Compliance Officer at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by:

/s _____
Erick Agina, Compliance Officer

/s _____
Kim Bradford, Deputy Director for
Peter Lavalley, Executive Director

cc: Larry Carpenter

