



**State of Washington  
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Delivered electronically to Nick Johnson at [nickjohnsonhawks@gmail.com](mailto:nickjohnsonhawks@gmail.com)

Subject: Complaint regarding Tarik Hassane, PDC Case 93777

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on June 15, 2021. Your complaint alleged that Tarik Hassane, a 2021 first-time candidate for City Council Member, Position 1 in the City of Sammamish, may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 for failure to timely and accurately report website/domain name expenditure.

PDC staff reviewed your allegation; the applicable statute, rule(s), and the reporting requirements; the Summary Full Report Receipt and Expenditure (C4) reports filed by Elect Tarik Hassane (Campaign); and the June 29, 2021, response to the complaint provided by Christy Wood, Treasurer, on behalf of the Campaign.

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

- On June 2, 2021, Tarik Hassane timely filed a Candidate Registration (C-1) report and selected the Full Reporting Option.

***Alleged failure to timely and accurately report website/domain name expenditure on the Summary Full Report Receipt and Expenditures Report (C4) – (RCW 42.17A.235 and .240)***

- Staff reviewed the C-4 reports filed by the Campaign and found that the Campaign failed to timely file the expenditure for the Campaign website/domain name. This expenditure should have been reported in the May 2021 C-4 report.
- In its response to the complaint received on June 29, 2021, the Campaign by way of the Christy Wood, Treasurer, stated: "The domain invoice was inadvertently left off the May C4 report in the flurry of getting the candidate registered on the PDC after filing week. It was not a malicious omission, but purely accidental as the website has not been built yet and wasn't top of mind."
- On the same day, June 29, 2021, the Campaign, by way of Christy Wood, Treasurer, amended the May 2021 C-4 and included the expenditure for the Campaign website/domain.

While our review found that Tarik Hassane failed to timely and accurately report the expenditure for the Campaign website/domain name, his Campaign was responsive and amended the pertinent report as soon as the deficiency in reporting was brought to their attention. Tarik Hassane is also a first-time candidate with no prior PDC violation(s).

However, Tarik Hassane will receive a reminder letter concerning his 2021 Campaign's failure to timely and accurately report website/domain name expenditure, as required by the statutory scheme.

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 Erick Agina, Compliance Officer at 360-586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at [erick.agina@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:erick.agina@pdc.wa.gov)

Sincerely,

Endorsed by,

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Erick Agina, Compliance Officer

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Kim Bradford, Deputy Director for  
Peter Lavallee, Executive Director

cc: Tarik Hassane

