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December 22, 2021

The Estate of John E. Thompson c/o Roxie Chapin 2504 South 148th St SeaTac, WA 98168

And delivered electronically to <u>roxiechapin52@comcast.net</u> and <u>office@waterdistrict125.com</u>

Subject: PDC Order, Case 94076

Dear Estate of John E. Thompson,

We are sorry to hear of John's passing. Enclosed is the Public Disclosure Commission's amended Order for John Thompson, which VACATES the original order, dated August 12, 2021, that was entered in the above-referenced case.

At the July 15, 2021 Brief Enforcement hearing, the Presiding Officer assessed a total civil penalty of \$250, of which \$150 was suspended, in accordance with WAC 390-37-143. The attached amended Order, dated December 8, 2021, supersedes and Vacates the original order issued on August 12, 2021.

If you have questions, please contact us by email at pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Sincerely,

Electronically Signed by Tabatha Blacksmith
PDC Staff

Enclosure: Amended Initial Order



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BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

In Re: Compliance with RCW 42.17A

PDC Case 94076

John E. Thompson,

2021.

Findings of Fact,

Respondent.

Conclusions of Law, and Order Imposing Fine

Pursuant to the brief enforcement hearing (brief adjudicative proceeding) notice sent to John E. Thompson on June 25, 2021, a brief adjudicative proceeding was held on July 15, 2021, remotely from Olympia, WA by live audio and online transmission, to consider whether the Respondent violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to timely file a Personal Financial Affairs

The hearing was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 RCW, 42.17A RCW and Chapter 390-37 WAC. Commission Chair Fred Jarrett was the Presiding Officer. Commission staff were represented by Compliance Coordinators Tabitha Townsend and Tabatha Blacksmith and Jennifer Hansen, Political Finance Officer. The Respondent did not participate in the hearing or submit any written materials.

Statement (F-1 report) for calendar year 2020, which was due to be filed no later than April 15,

Having considered the evidence, the Presiding Officer finds as follows:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

This matter involves PDC staff's request that the Commission Vacate an Initial Order issued on August 12, 2021 pursuant to a July 15, 2021 brief enforcement hearing wherein the Presiding Officer found that John E. Thompson, former Water & Sewer Commissioner for King County Water District 125, violated RCW 42.17A.700 for failure to timely file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) for calendar year 2020, which was due no later than April 15, 2021, and imposed a civil penalty of \$250 with \$150 suspended.

PDC staff's request to Vacate the Initial Order is based upon learning that John E. Thompson died on October 12, 2020.

- 1. On September 15, 2021, King County Water District 125 notified the PDC, by email, that Mr. Thompson is deceased.
- 2. Mr. Thompson's online obituary confirms that he passed away on October 12, 2021. https://bonneywatson.com/obituary/john-e-thompson/

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Commission has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to Chapter 42.17A RCW, the State campaign finance and disclosure law; Chapter 34.05 RCW, the Administrative Procedure Act; and Title 390 WAC.

III. ORDER

PDC staff's request to Vacate the Initial Order is GRANTED. This Amended Order will be the Final Order. The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the civil penalty assessed at the July 15, 2021 hearing are VACATED.

This is an **Initial Order** of the Public Disclosure Commission.

Entered this 22nd day of December 2021.

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For the Commission:

Fred Jarrett

Chair, Public Disclosure Commission

I, Tabatha Blacksmith, certify that I emailed a copy of this order to the Respondent's estate on the date stated herein.

Electronically Signed by Tabatha Blacksmith December 22, 2021

Signed Date