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November 19, 2018

Sent electronically to Representative Thomas Dent at tomdentaviation@gmail.com

Subject: Camplaint regarding Thomas Dent, PDC Case 30914

Mr. Dent:

Below is a copy of a letter sent to Dmitri Iglitzin concerning a complaint he filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) on January 30, 2018. The complaint alleged that your 2016 campaign for State Representative, violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to timely file Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports), and Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports).

As noted in the letter to Mr. Iglitzin, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking enforcement action in this matter. However, PDC staff is reminding you of the expectation and importance of filing timely and accurate reports disclosing campaign contribution and expenditure activities, including the C-3 and C-4 reports for the 2018 Campaign, and any future campaigns.

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

If you have questions, you may contact me at (360) 586-2869, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at erick.agina@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely, Endorsed by:

Erick Agina
PDC Compliance Officer

BG Sandahl, Deputy Director for Peter Lavallee, Executive Director





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Sent electronically to Dmitri Iglitzin at <a href="mailto:iglitzin@workerlaw.com">iglitzin@workerlaw.com</a>

Subject: Complaint regarding Thomas Dent, PDC Case 30914

Dear Mr. Iglitzin:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on January 30, 2018. The complaint alleged that Thomas Dent, an incumbent State Representative and a candidate seeking re-election to that office in 2018, violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to timely file the Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports) and Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports).

PDC staff reviewed the allegations listed in the complaint in light of PDC laws and rules in order to determine whether a formal investigation or enforcement action is warranted. Staff reviewed the Monetary Contributions reports (C-3 reports), and Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports), filed by the Thomas Dent Campaign (Campaign), and the July 20, 2018 response letter from Representative Dent.

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

• On June 29, 2015, Thomas Dent filed a Candidate Registration (C-1 report) declaring his candidacy for State Representative in 2016, selecting the Full Reporting Option and listing Terry Weimer as the Campaign Treasurer. On June 13, 2017, Representative Thomas Dent filed a C-1 report declaring his candidacy for re-election in 2018. Representative Dent is an incumbent State Representative since being elected to that office in 2016.

Allegation One: Failure to timely file the C-4 reports for the 2016 election:

- The complaint alleged that the Campaign failed to timely file C-4 reports for the following periods: September 2015 and May 2016 filing periods. These C-4 reports were due to have been filed by October 10, 2015 and June 10, 2016 respectively.
- Staff's review found the September 2015 and July 2013 C-4 reports were filed 31 days and four days late respectively.

Allegation Two: Failure to timely deposit monetary contributions received and file the corresponding C-3 report for the 2016 election:

- Staff's review found a total of four reports were filed late:
  - 1. A \$550.00 monetary contribution was received by the campaign on May 2, 2016, and deposited the same day. Although the contribution was deposited timely, the C-3 report was filed four days late.
  - 2. Five different contributions were received by the campaign for a total of \$4,600.28 on May 24, 2016, and deposited the same day. The C-3 depicting the receipt of the \$4,600.28 was filed four days late.
  - 3. Four different contributions were received by the Campaign on May 26, 2016, for a total of \$650.00 and deposited timely on the same day. Although the contribution was deposited timely, the C-3 was filed 4 days late.
  - 4. Five different contributions totaling \$1,300.00 were received on June 6, 2016 and deposited timely on the same day. However, the C-3 report was filed one day late.

The 2016 Thomas Dent Campaign received approximately \$81,000 in contributions, and made expenditures totaling more than \$77,000. While the Campaign failed to timely file the campaign finance reports listed above, PDC staff found no evidence of a material violation that would require conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint or pursuing enforcement action in this instance.

Although PDC will not be conducting a formal investigation into these allegations or taking enforcement action in this matter, staff has reminded Mr. Dent of the expectation of filing timely and accurate reports disclosing campaign contribution and expenditure for all future campaigns.

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

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