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July 11, 2019

Sent electronically to Representative Young

Subject: Jesse Young Complaint Return with Reminder Cover Letter, PDC Case 30907

Representative Young:

Below is a copy of a letter sent electronically to Dmitri Iglitzin concerning the complaint he filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) against you. As noted below in the letter sent to Mr. Iglitzin, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking enforcement action in these matters.

PDC staff is reminding you concerning the importance of timely and accurately filing C-3 and C-4 reports disclosing contribution and expenditure activities undertaken by your 2020 Campaign as required by PDC laws, rules and reporting requirements for a legislative candidate.

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 me at (360) 664-8854, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at kurt.young@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Endorsed by:

s/_____
Kurt Young, Compliance Officer

s/_____
BG Sandahl, Deputy Director for
Peter Lavalley, Executive Director



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Subject: Complaint filed against Jesse Young; PDC Case 30907

Mr. Iglitzin:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its review of the complaint you filed on January 30, 2018 against Jesse Young, an incumbent State Representative and a candidate seeking re-election to that office in 2016. The complaint alleged that the 2016 Jesse Young Campaign for State Representative (Campaign) may have violated RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240 by failing to timely and accurately file Monetary Contribution Reports (C-3 report), and Campaign Summary Full Campaign Contribution and Expenditure reports (C-4 reports) disclosing contribution and expenditure activities undertaken by the Campaign.

PDC staff reviewed the allegations listed in your complaint and the attached documents, the statutes, rules, and reporting requirements, the C-3 and C-4 reports submitted by the 2016 Campaign, and the response from Jesse Young and the 2016 Campaign. Based on staff's review, we found the following:

- On October 21, 2015, Jesse Young filed a Candidate Registration (C-1 report) declaring his candidacy for re-election to the office of State Representative for the 26th Legislative District in 2016, selecting the Full Reporting Option, and listing Jennifer Beneviat as Campaign Treasurer.
- On January 11, 2016, Jesse Young filed an amended C-1 report listing Jason Michaud as the new Campaign Treasurer. Jesse Young was appointed to the office of State Representative in January of 2014, elected to that office in November of 2014, and was re-elected in 2016 and 2018.
- On January 16, 2016, the Campaign filed 13 C-3 reports, five C-4 reports and one amended C-4 report covering the period August 4 through December 31, 2015. The C-3 and C-4 reports filed by the Campaign for August, September, October, November and December of 2015 were all filed late disclosing the receipt of \$33,689 in monetary contributions received, including a \$10,500 candidate loan, and \$7,591 in expenditures made.
- The contribution and expenditure information were disclosed between six and 128 days late, but staff noted the information was disclosed 297 days prior to the November 8, 2016 general election and included a \$4,500 payment to New Media NW on October 27, 2015 for Consulting, and five payments totaling \$2,935 for Campaign rent and utilities.

- The 13 late filed C-3 reports disclosed: (1) a \$10,500 candidate loan and a \$400 contribution from Ms. Benevise, both received August 4, 2015; (2) four C-3 reports disclosed a total of \$.08 in bank interest, and listed as \$.02 per month as a Miscellaneous Receipt; (3) three C-3 reports were filed for November of 2015 disclosing 12 contributions totaling \$9,050, and (4) five C-3 reports were filed for December of 2015, totaling \$11,960 disclosing a number of contributions received from individuals, political committees, and corporations prior to the 2016 Legislative Session freeze period beginning.
- Once Mr. Michaud was hired as Treasurer in January of 2016, the Campaign timely filed the 2016 January, February, March, April and May C-4 reports, the 21-Day and 7-Day Pre-Primary Election C-4 reports, the 21-Day and 7-Day Pre-General Election C-4 reports, and the Post-General Election C-4 report. The Post-Primary Election C-4 report was filed one day late by the Campaign. Staff's limited review of the C-3 reports filed during calendar year 2016 indicated that the Campaign timely filed C-3 reports monthly through May 31, 2016, and then weekly beginning June 1, 2016 in accordance with the statute, rules and reporting requirements.
- Jesse Young has no prior PDC violations.

While the Campaign failed to timely file the C-3 and C-4 reports covering the period August 4 through December 31, 2015, the contribution and expenditure information was disclosed more than ten months prior to the November 8, 2016 general election.

Based on these findings and the facts that Jesse Young has no prior PDC violations, the Campaign timely filed the C-3 and C-4 reports for calendar year 2016, including all of the pre-2016 election reports, staff has determined that, in this instance, the Campaign's failure to timely and accurately file C-3 and C-4 reports, disclosing contribution and expenditure information, does not amount to a violation warranting further investigation.

PDC staff is reminding Jesse Young concerning the importance of timely and accurately filing C-3 and C-4 reports disclosing contribution and expenditure activities undertaken by his Campaign in accordance with PDC laws, rules and reporting requirements for a legislative candidate.

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) 664-8854, toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at kurt.young@pdc.wa.gov.

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cc: Representative Jesse Young and Jason Michaud, Treasurer