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PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
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June 9, 2022

Jessie L. Deardorff
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Also delivered electronically to jessielouise1959@gmail.com

Subject: PDC Order, Case 108249

Dear Jessie L. Deardorff,

Enclosed is a copy of the Public Disclosure Commission's Order Imposing Fine that was entered in the above-referenced case.

At the May 26, 2022 Enforcement hearing, the Commission assessed a total civil penalty of \$2000 accordance with WAC 390-37-182. The \$2000 is payable within 30 days of the date of this Order, which is **July 8, 2022**.

Please make the check or money order payable to "WA State Treasurer" and mail the payment to the following address:

Public Disclosure Commission
PO Box 40908
Olympia, WA 98504-0908

It is also ordered that you file the missing Reports for calendar years 2019, 2020, and 2021 within 30 days of this order.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions, please contact us by email at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov

Sincerely,

Electronically Signed by Jordan Campbell
PDC Staff

Enclosure: Final Order

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7 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**
8 **OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

9 In re the Matter of Enforcement Action
10 Against:

PDC CASE NO. 108249

11 JESSIE DEARDORFF,

FINAL ORDER

12 Respondent.
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14 **I. INTRODUCTION**

15 This matter was heard in-person and remotely by the Washington State Public Disclosure
16 Commission (Commission) on May 26, 2022, by telephonic and online streaming access. The
17 hearing was held pursuant to Chapter 34.05 RCW, Chapter 42.17A RCW, and Chapter 390-37
18 WAC.

19 Commissioners present were Nancy Isserlis, Acting Commission Chair (presiding); and
20 Commissioners William Downing, Allen Hayward, and Jocelyn Cooney. Also present were
21 Assistant Attorney General John S. Meader representing the Commission, Assistant Attorney
22 General Chad Standifer representing Commission staff, and Tabatha Blacksmith, Compliance
23 Coordinator, on behalf of PDC Staff. Respondent Jessie Deardorff did not appear on her own
24 behalf. The proceeding was open to the public as limited by Governor's Proclamation 20-28 *et*
25 *seq.* and recorded.

26 The hearing concerned allegations that Jessie Deardorff violated RCW 42.17A.700 by

1 failing to timely file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) disclosing personal
2 financial information for calendar years 2020 and 2021 that were due no later than April 15,
3 2020 and April 15, 2022, respectively.

4 The Commissioners had before them the following materials:

- 5 ○ Case Memorandum for PDC Case No. 108249 prepared by Jordan Campbell and dated
6 May 18, 2022;
- 7 ○ Exhibit 1: Warning notice on the missing F-1 reports, served April 18, 2022;
- 8 ○ Exhibit 2: Full Enforcement Hearing Notice, served May 12, 2022;
- 9 ○ Exhibit 3: Initial Order, entered January 11, 2021, PDC case 80263.

11 II. FINDINGS OF FACT

12 1. Jessie Deardorff is an incumbent School Board Director for Ferndale School
13 district 502 and has served in that capacity since 2019.

14 2. Pursuant to RCW 42.17A.700, an elected or appointed official who held office in
15 2020 and 2021 is required to file Personal financial Affairs Statements (F-1 reports) disclosing
16 financial activities for calendar years 2020 and 2021 no later than April 15, 2021, and April 15,
17 2022, respectively. The Respondent failed to timely file both reports.

18 3. From March 3, 2021, through April 28, 2021, PDC staff emailed reminders to
19 elected and appointed officials regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2020.

20 4. From March 10, 2022, through April 26, 2022, PDC staff emailed reminders to
21 elected and appointed officials regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2021.

22 5. On April 18, 2022, PDC staff sent the Respondent a warning notice, by email and
23 to her mailing address of record, regarding the missing F-1 reports for calendar years 2020 and
24 2021.

25 6. On May 12, 2022, PDC staff served the Respondent, by email and to her mailing
26 address of record, with a hearing notice for a May 26, 2022, Adjudicative Proceeding

1 (Enforcement Hearing) before the full Public Disclosure Commission concerning Respondent's
2 failure to file the F-1 reports. The hearing notice was sent to the Respondent's email and address
3 of record.

4 7. As of the date of the hearing the Respondent has not filed her F-1 reports for
5 calendar years 2020 and 2021 that were due April 15, 2021, and April 15, 2022, respectively.

6 8. Prior violation of RCW 42.17A.700:

7 a) PDC Case No. 80263:

- 8 • The Respondent failed to timely file an F-1 report for calendar year 2019, which
9 was due no later than April 15, 2020.
- 10 • At a December 17, 2020, Brief Adjudicative Proceeding the Respondent was
11 found in violation of RCW 42.17A.700 and assessed a \$250 penalty for failing to
12 file an F-1 report for calendar year 2019, that was due no later than April 15,
13 2020.
- 14 • The Respondent paid the \$250 civil penalty on March 11, 2021.
- 15 • To date the Respondent has not filed the missing F-1 report for calendar year
16 2019.

15 **III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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

19 2. Based on the above Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and hearing testimony, the
20 Commission concludes:

- 21 a. Jessie Deardorff violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to timely file F-1 financial
22 reports for the years 2020 and 2021.

24 **IV. ORDER**

25 Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Commission orders that:
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1. Respondent Jessie Deardorff is assessed a total civil penalty of \$2000 which shall be paid within 30 days of the date of this Final Order.
2. The missing F-1 reports for calendar years 2019, 2020, and 2021 shall be filed within 30 days of the date of this Order. If the Respondent fails to comply with the filing of the F-1 reports or fails to make timely payment of the civil penalties, PDC staff may send the amounts due for collection without further action by the Commission.

So ORDERED this 9th day of June, 2022.

WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

FOR THE COMMISSION:

Electronically signed by Nancy Isserlis
Nancy Isserlis
Acting Chair, Public Disclosure Commission

Copy of this Order mailed and/or emailed to:

Jessie Deardorff, Respondent,
jessie.deardorff@ferndalesd.org; jessielouise1959@gmail.com;

Tabatha Blacksmith, Compliance Coordinator, PDC Staff
pdc@pdc.wa.gov;

Jordan Campbell, Compliance Coordinator, PDC Staff
pdc@pdc.wa.gov

I, Jordan Campbell, certify that I mailed a copy of this order to the Respondent/ Applicant at his/her respective address postage pre-paid on the date stated herein.

Electronically signed by Jordan Campbell
Signed

June 9, 2022
Date

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2 **NOTICE: RECONSIDERATION**

3 Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 34.05.470 and WAC 390-37-150, you may file a Petition for
4 Reconsideration with the PDC within ten (10) days from the date this Final Order is served upon
5 you. Any Request for reconsideration must state the specific grounds for the relief requested.
6 Petitions must be delivered or mailed to the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission,
7 711 Capitols Way, Room 206, Box 40908, Olympia WA 98504-0908.

8 **NOTICE: PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW**

9 You have the right to appeal this Final Order to Superior Court, pursuant to the Petition for
10 Judicial Review provisions of RCW 34.05.542. Any Petition for Judicial Review of this Final
11 Order must be filed with the court and also served upon both the Commission and the Office of
12 the Attorney general within thirty (30) days after the date this Final Order is served upon you.
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