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Memorandum

To: Public Disclosure Commission

From: Jordan Campbell, Compliance Coordinator

Date: August 17, 2022

Subject: Layne Bladow Enforcement Hearing Memorandum: PDC Case 109818

Allegations:

PDC staff alleges that Layne Bladow (The Respondent), an appointed Trustee for Bates Technical College violated RCW 42.17A.700 by failing to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) for calendar year 2021, due not later than April 15, 2022.

Background and Prior Violations:

- Layne Bladow was appointed Trustee for Bates Technical College in 2015.
- Between March 10th and April 5th 2022, PDC staff sent email reminders to all elected and appointed officials regarding their missing F-1 reports for calendar year 2021.
- On April 18, 2022 Compliance staff sent out warnings to filers who had not filed a F-1 report for 2021.
- On August 11, 2022 PDC staff mailed and emailed the respondent a Hearing Notice regarding the missing report for calendar year 2021. This hearing notice was sent to the respondent's email and address of record.
- As of the writing of this memo, the Respondent has not filed an F-1 covering calendar year 2021.

First Violation (PDC Case 94108):

- The Respondent, who was an appointed Trustee for Bates Technical College, failed to file an F-1 report for calendar year 2020, which was due no later than April 15, 2021.
- At a July 15, 2021 Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing), the Respondent was found in violation of RCW 42.17A.700 and assessed a \$250 penalty.
- To date, the Respondent has not paid the outstanding \$250 civil penalty for case 94108.
- In addition, the missing F-1 report for calendar year 2020 has not been filed.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Commission find that Layne Bladow violated 42.17A.700 by failing to timely file an F-1 report for calendar year 2021, and:

1. Assess Layne Bladow a civil penalty between \$1000-2000 for failure to file a F-1 report for calendar year 2021 as laid out in WAC 390-37-182 the penalty schedule for a respondent on their second violation who did not file the report in question before the hearing, which is payable within 30 days of the date of the Order.
2. Require Layne Bladow to file the missing F-1 report for calendar year 2021 within 30 days of the date of the Order.