

Respondent Names
Kurtis Engle
Complainant Name
Conner Edwards
Complaint Description
Conner Edwards Sun, 28 Aug 2022 at 4:20 PM See complaint.
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found
List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them
Certification (Complainant)
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Hello:

The committee “Kurtis Engle” (2022) appears to have failed to timely file C4s.

This candidate filed as “full-reporting” however has not filed a single C3 or C4 report. This candidate would have been required to file a May C4 report because of the filing fee for this office being greater than \$200, and of course would have been required to file both the 21-day and 7-day pre-election report because they were on the ballot in the primary. See attached.

Letter to Respondent

To Whom It May Concern:

I apologize for filing this complaint against your campaign/committee. It is not my intention to cause you any inconvenience. I am filing a batch of complaints against campaigns/committees that have failed to timely file C4s in recent election cycles to demonstrate the PDC’s unwillingness to meaningfully enforce the statutory requirement to timely file C4s described in RCW 42.17A.235.

This is a relevant issue because the PDC appears poised to propose dramatically increasing the number of C4s that filers would be required to file in the month leading up to the primary and general elections. If this proposal were to be adopted by the Legislature, it would dramatically increase the amount of work that campaign treasurers and committees would be required to perform. The agency has offered little in the way of evidence to suggest that this proposal would result in any meaningful benefit to the voting public.

Currently, the agency does not actively investigate campaigns/committees to determine whether they have timely filed C4 forms. The agency *does* do this as it relates to the timely filing of C1/F1 forms. When adjudicating complaints alleging late C4 reporting, the PDC has leaned heavily on the use of “warning letters”. These letters are, in essence, dismissals, and are not a meaningful deterrent for those who would engage in late reporting.

Put simply, the agency’s rhetoric (“C4s contain valuable information for voters; any additional burden to filers stemming from increased reporting is justified”) does not match the agency’s actions (dismissing complaints that demonstrate filers haven’t filed C4 reports on time).

By highlighting the agency’s failure to meaningfully enforce current reporting deadlines, my hope is that the agency will look to improve its own enforcement procedures before saddling filers with additional reporting obligations.

No campaign treasurer or campaign/committee is perfect. Trying to comply with the myriad of requirements and deadlines the PDC enforces can be extremely difficult, even for those who have been doing this for years. The agency could adopt any number of strategies to help filers “get it right” when it comes to deadlines and other requirements. Some of these strategies might include: a) automated electronic filing reminders to a filer when they have missed a deadline, b) mandatory attendance in a PDC training course before a person is allowed to serve as treasurer, and c) giving filers 48 hours to file 21- & 7-day pre-election reports as opposed to the 24 hours we currently get.

Sincerely,

Conner Edwards
Campaign Treasure



Kurtis Anthony Engle

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Registration Filed

Candidate
Full Reporting
Submitted date: 2022-06-16
Certified by kurtis.engle@gmail.com
2022
ENGLK 531

Candidacy

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Secretary Of State
The National Union Party
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Bank Information

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To schedule books review contact kurtis.engle@gmail.com

Officers

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Candidate
Treasurer
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Candidate is treasurer.

Attachments

Name	Description



Kurtis Engle - 2022

Candidate Information

Office:
SECRETARY OF STATE

Jurisdiction:
State of Washington

Party:
OTHER

Registration:
June 16, 2022

Address:
2316 Westlake Dr SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Email:
kurtis.engle@gmail.com

Phone:
13605595730

Financial Information
No data available.

Status

Primary Election Status:
Lost in primary

Campaign Status:
Candidate declared

Reports

[Candidate's Personal Financial Affairs disclosure](#)

[Candidate's surplus funds account](#)

Independent Expenditures

spending for and against this candidate

Independent expenditures are made by third parties that are not part of a candidate's campaign.

No Independent Expenditures reported

See Independent Expenditures

Debts

incurred by candidate

This information shows the debt for the campaign as of the submission date of the related report.

Outstanding debt for campaign is \$0.00

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Campaign Finance Reports

See the reports filed by the candidate. Reports with a strikethrough were amended by another report.

No reports found for this candidate

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Candidate		Vote	Vote %
Bob Hagglund	(Prefers Republican Party)	225,633	12.05%
Kurtis Engle	(Prefers Union Party)	6,887	0.37%
Marquez Tiggs	(Prefers Democratic Party)	148,716	7.94%
Tamborine Borrelli	(Prefers America First (R) Party)	86,748	4.63%
Steve Hobbs	(Prefers Democratic Party)	747,993	39.93%
Keith L. Wagoner	(Prefers Republican Party)	227,842	12.16%
Mark Miloscia	(Prefers Republican Party)	187,774	10.02%
Julie Anderson	(Prefers Nonpartisan Party)	240,035	12.81%
WRITE-IN		1,499	0.08%
Total Votes		1,873,127	