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April 28, 2023

Sent electronically to Dr. Traci Pierce, Superintendent Kennewick School District No. 17, at [trace.pierce@ksd.org](mailto:trace.pierce@ksd.org)

Subject: Initial Hearing (Case Status Review Hearing) After Opening a Formal Investigation, Kennewick School District No. 17, PDC Case #121794

Dear Dr. Traci Pierce:

After conducting a preliminary review and assessment of the complaint filed February 11, 2023, by John Trumbo against you, PDC staff opened a formal investigation and held an Initial Hearing (Case Status Review Hearing) on April 28, 2023, pursuant to RCW 42.17A.755, and WACs 390-37-060 and 390-37-071.

At the hearing it was noted that RCW 42.17A.755 provides PDC staff with additional tools to resolve complaints through the use of alternatives to non-compliance, and I am encouraging you to work with staff on resolving this matter.

If you have questions, please contact Tanya Mercier, Compliance Officer, at [pdcc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdcc@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/ Electronically signed

Peter Frey Lavalley  
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April 28, 2023

Sent electronically to John Trumbo at [johntrnews@gmail.com](mailto:johntrnews@gmail.com)

Subject: Initial Hearing (Case Status Review Hearing) After Opening a Formal Investigation,  
Kennewick School District No. 17, PDC Case #121794

Dear John Trumbo:

This letter is to notify you that after conducting a preliminary review and assessment of the complaint you filed February 11, 2023, against the Kennewick School District No. 17, PDC staff opened a formal investigation and held an Initial Hearing (Case Status Review Hearing) on April 28, 2023, pursuant to RCW 42.17A.755, and WACS 390-37-060 and 390-37-071.

After PDC staff has completed its investigation, staff will inform you of the disposition of this case.

If you have questions, please contact Tanya Mercier, Compliance Officer, at [pdc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdc@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Peter Frey Lavalley  
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