

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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August 22, 2023

Delivered electronically to stevenlkovach@icloud.com

Subject: C-1 & F-1 Initial Order Review Hearing Notice; PDC Case Number 138704

Dear Steven Kovach:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) received your request for an appeal of the Iniital Order issued in the case cited above. Your request was received and is scheduled within 21 days of the August 18, 2023 Initial Order, it is considered a request for review under WAC 390-37-150.

The Initial Order was issued pursuant to a brief adjudicative proceeding held on July 20, 2023, in which you were found in violation of RCW 42.17A.205 and RCW 42.17A.700 and assessed a penalty of \$500 with \$300 suspended if paid within 30 days of the date of the Initial Order.

RCW 42.17A.205 and RCW 42.17A.700 require candidates to file both C-1 and F-1 reports within two weeks of becoming a candidate or no later than June 2, 2023.

Based on your request, an Initial Order Review Hearing has been scheduled in your case, as provided below. The Hearing will be held before the full Commission, in accordance with RCW 42.17A.110 and .755, and WAC 390-37-144. You will have an opportunity to explain your view of the matter if you choose to attend the Hearing.

HEARING INFORMATION

Date and time: Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 10:40 a.m.

Place: Remotely from Olympia

Live Audio and Online Transmission

Presiding Officer: Public Disclosure Commission

Authority: RCW 42.17A and WAC 390

PARTICIPATING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE INSTRUCTION PRIOR TO JOINING THE MEETING:

Log-in to the meeting promptly 15 minutes prior to your set presentation time (10:25 a.m.). You will be called in order of the agenda, stay muted and on hold until your name is called. You will be sworn in prior to presenting your testimony to the commission.

Please note you may be prompted to download MS TEAMS App or use a supported browser:

Microsoft Edge or Chrome for best performance.

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Click here to join the meeting

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For assistance prior to the start of the meeting contact 1-360-753-1111.

INTERPRETER

If a party or witness to this proceeding speaks limited English or is hearing-impaired, and needs an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to you. Please inform us at least five business days before the hearing or no later than <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 23</u>, <u>2023</u> if you require an interpreter for this proceeding and/or translation of its written materials in a language other than English. Please contact us by email at <u>pdc@pdc.wa.gov</u> or call us at (360) 753-1111 or 1-877-601-2828 to request an interpreter.

SUBMITTING WRITTEN MATERIALS

In advance of the Enforcement Hearing, you may provide a written response describing the facts of your case for consideration by the Commission, including any circumstances or mitigating factors you would like considered. Please submit your written response so it is received by no later than **Wednesday**, **August 23**, **2023**.

If you have any questions about the hearing process prior to the hearing date, please contact PDC Staff by email at pdc.wa.gov and be sure to reference your case number in the subject line of the email.

Sincerely,

PDC Staff Compliance and Enforcement Division

