#### **Respondent Name**

Shellie Willis

### **Complainant Name**

Glen Morgan

## **Complaint Description**

Glen Morgan reported via the portal

(Thu, 3 Aug 2023 at 12:28 AM)

To whom it may concern,

It has come to my attention that Puyallup City Council candidate (at-large) Shellie Willis has violated Washington State's campaign finance laws (**RCW 42.17A**) during her current 2023 campaign. The violations are as follows:

#### 1) Acceptance of Illegal overlimit contributions (Violation of RCW 42.17A.405(2))

This is a blatant violation and easy to identify. I've attached copies of the relevant C3 reports proving this violation.

As PDC staff know well, and as all political candidates running for office in Washington State have been made aware, there are limits to the campaign contributions they can accept. I will also point out for the record, this campaign has hired a very shady operation called Argo Strategies who I frequently find associated with lawbreaking of this type, and is one key indicator I use when searching for those who habitually violate the law. This is just the latest example.

There are only two candidates for this position at the Puyallup City Council for which Shellie Willis is running. This means there was no primary. **Despite this fact, Shellie Willis accepted at least \$371.61** in illegal overlimit contributions explicitly designated for a Primary election that never happened. This candidate and her shady consultant, at the time they accepted this illegal overlimit contribution. This candidate has had months to resolve this illegal behavior, and apparently has willfully chosen to ignore the law and keep the illegal cash.

Shellie Willis must refund or forfeit these illegal contributions immediately in order to at least pretend to comply with Washington State's campaign finance laws, as tardy as this compliance might be.

Specifically, the illegal overlimit contributions are as follows and clearly designated as "Primary" campaign contributions:

- On 5/11/2023 this campaign received \$523.87 from donor "Sandra Calvillo" PDC C3 report # 110149075 (see attached)
- On 6/5/2023 this campaign received \$523.87 from donor "Sandra K. Calvillo" PDC C3 report # 110151722 (see attached)
- On 6/22/2023 this campaign received \$523.87 (again) from donor "Sandra Calvillo" PDC
   C3 Report # 110154367 (see attached)

Technically, it is the "Primary" election designated contribution of \$523.87 which must be refunded or forfeited from this campaign in order to come back into some type of compliance with Washington State's campaign finance laws, but I will presume this is a supporter who is serious about their political support, and even if some portion of their illegal contribution was to be "reclassified" as a "General" campaign

contribution only, as it should have been from the beginning, this wouldn't change the fact that **this still** leaves \$371.61 in illegal overlimit contributions that must be forfeit by this campaign.

I will point out that this campaign has numerous donations classified illegally as "Primary" contributions, and this campaign should go back and correct all the erroneous data compiled in the C3 reports with incorrect information like this.

This would include the cash fund contributions from the Washington State Democrats, the Teamsters League PAC, the 25<sup>th</sup> LD Democrats, and others.

Let me know if you need anything else from me.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

### What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

The public has a right to expect their politicians to at least not accept illegal overlimit contributions to their political campaigns.

## List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

All referenced and attached

### List of potential witnesses

The candidate and any consultants who might be lurking around.

## **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.



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# CASH RECEIPTS MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS

**C3** 

Shellie DLayne Willis (Shellie Willis)
People for Shellie Willis PO Box 1534
Puyallup, WA
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
CITY OF PUYALLUP

Deposit date: 06/05/2023 Report number: 110151722 Submitted date: 06/11/2023

#### 1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date received		Amount	Total
	a. Anonymous	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<ul><li>b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in</li><li>1c)</li></ul>	\$0.00	\$0.00
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements (Schedule L)	\$0.00	
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other)	\$0.00	
	e. Small contributions	\$0.00	

#### 2. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT: \$681.25

Corresponds to amount on line 1, Schedule A to C4, and itemized below

#### 3. ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

Date received	Contributor (Name and address)	Employer and address	Amount	Aggregate total
06/05/2023	Sandra K. Calvillo 11916 4th Ave E , Tacoma, WA 98445	WorkSource Plerce Tacoma WA Occupation: One Stop Operator	\$523.87	General \$523.87
06/05/2023	Diana Swartz PO Box 68 , Wilkeson, WA 98396		\$157.38	General \$157.38

Date of deposit

I certify this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

06/05/2023 Treasurer's signature and date

Jason Bennett - 06/11/2023





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**C3** 

Shellie DLayne Willis (Shellie Willis)
People for Shellie Willis PO Box 1534
Puyallup, WA
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
CITY OF PUYALLUP

Deposit date: 05/11/2023 Report number: 110149075 Submitted date: 06/03/2023

#### 1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date received		Amount	Total
	a. Anonymous	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<ul><li>b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in</li><li>1c)</li></ul>	\$0.00	\$0.00
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements (Schedule L)	\$0.00	
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other)	\$0.00	
	e. Small contributions (3 persons giving)	\$133.39	

#### 2. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT: \$1,077.38

Corresponds to amount on line 1, Schedule A to C4, and itemized below

#### 3. ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

Date received	Contributor (Name and address)	Employer and address	Amount	Aggregate total
05/11/2023	Carol Beauford		\$105.03	Primary
	5228 Candlelight Drive , Davenport, IA 52806			\$105.03
05/11/2023	Sandra Calvillo	WorkSource Pierce	\$523.87	Primary
	11916 4th Avenue East , Tacoma, WA	Tacoma WA		\$523.87
	98445	Occupation: One Stop		
		Operator		
05/11/2023	Dr. Jackie McDonald, II		\$105.03	Primary
	6911 San Bernard TRL , Katy, TX 77493			\$105.03
05/11/2023	Helen McGovern		\$105.03	Primary
	10010 36th Street Northwest , Gig Harbor, WA 98335			\$105.03
05/11/2023	Gloria Steward		\$105.03	Primary
	923 Blue Quail Run , Glenn Heights, TX 75154			\$105.03
	73134			

Date of deposit 05/11/2023

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Treasurer's signature and date

Jason Bennett - 06/03/2023





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# CASH RECEIPTS MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS

**C3** 

Shellie DLayne Willis (Shellie Willis)
People for Shellie Willis PO Box 1534
Puyallup, WA
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
CITY OF PUYALLUP

Deposit date: 06/22/2023 Report number: 110154367 Submitted date: 06/25/2023

#### 1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date received		Amount	Total
	a. Anonymous	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<ul><li>b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c)</li></ul>	\$0.00	\$0.00
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements (Schedule L)	\$0.00	
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other)	\$0.00	
	e. Small contributions (4 persons giving)	\$277.67	

#### 2. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT: \$2,856.57

Corresponds to amount on line 1, Schedule A to C4, and itemized below

#### 3. ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

Date received	Contributor (Name and address)	Employer and address	Amount	Aggregate total
06/22/2023	Sandra Calvillo	Worksource	\$523.87	General
	11916 4th Ave E , Tacoma, WA 98445	Tacoma WA Occupation: One stop operator		\$523.87
06/22/2023	Michael Gedeon		\$250.00	General
	4219 91st Ave SE , Mercer Island, WA 98040			\$250.00
06/22/2023	JMarie Johnson-Kola	Pierce College	\$1,200.00	General
	1102 28th Street Northwest , Puyallup,	Puyallup WA		\$1,200.00
	WA 98371	Occupation: Vice President		
06/22/2023	Ryan Wheaton	Pierce Transit	\$500.00	General
	6604 83rd St Ct E, Puyallup, WA 98371	Lakewood WA		\$500.00
		Occupation: Executive		
		Director		
06/22/2023	Chloe Wilhelm		\$105.03	General
	801 North I Street Apt 305, Tacoma, WA 98403			\$105.03

Date of deposit 06/22/2023

I certify this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Treasurer's signature and date

Jason Bennett - 06/25/2023

