

**2024 Monica Stonier Campaign response to the complaint  
PDC Case 141231**

*(Thu, 28 Sep 2023 at 10:15 AM)*

To: "PDC Support" <pdcc@pdc.wa.gov>

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External Email

Please find attached the Elect Monica Stonier campaign response to the above named complaint. We always appreciate the opportunity to clarify our work for the public. We have great respect for the campaign finance laws of Washington state along with the Public Disclosure Commission and always strive to comply. I am sorry that we had a delay in responding because of the email confusion.

I believe we have answered all of your questions, but should further clarification be needed please contact me. Thank you again for the opportunity to respond.

*Marsha Manning*

Treasurer - Elect Monica Stonier

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**Re: PDC - Monica Stonier: Alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.430 by using Campaign funds to attend a political party committee fundraiser, in which a portion of the funds used resulted in a contribution to the committee. (EY'23; Aug'23)**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the allegations put forth by Mr. Glen Morgan. We will not respond to the unprofessional comments, snide remarks, and personal attacks on Monica Stonier included in his formal complaint.

We acknowledge that we did purchase a table for 10 at the Clark County Democrats annual dinner in the amount of \$1,250. The table was purchased as a thank you to volunteers of the Elect Monica Stonier campaign. Unfortunately, Ms. Stonier was unable to attend the dinner as it fell on the same evening as her daughter's high school graduation ceremony.

The Clark County Democrats do acknowledge their table sponsors in their dinner program. Ms. Stonier was named as a table sponsor. Candidates may be allowed to address the attendees when time is available, and they do have the option to bring yard signs and remit envelopes to display on side tables. Because Monica was unable to attend the dinner, these last options were not acted on. The Clark County Democrats do not give out their email lists or give access to their social media accounts. No specific postings were made singling out Ms. Stonier's table sponsorship or participation in the dinner. No monies were received from attendees after the event that were connected to the dinner.

We have since contacted the Clark County Democrats to get an accounting of actual dinner costs. In the past it has been the practice of the party to keep ticket prices as close to cost as possible, therefore, keeping the prices lower so that more party volunteers can afford to attend. As a past manager of this event, I can speak to the process of determining ticket prices. At the end of each dinner, costs are calculated against income to determine what next year's ticket price will be. The Clark County Democrats estimated a cost of \$125 per ticket (\$1250 per table of 10) which included a reserved seat, dinner, dessert, and wine. The actual cost came to \$113.74 (\$1137.40 for 10).

The estimate was very close, but no one can predict future costs exactly. The party made a profit of \$11.26 per ticket (\$112.63 per table). All accounting and figures were supplied by the treasurer of the Clark County Democrats.

The Clark County Democrats will be issuing a check to return the excess amount (profit) to Monica Stonier in the amount of \$112.63. When that is received and deposited, all reports will be amended to show these transactions.

This should satisfy the “complainer” as it will show that no donation will have been made to the political party dinner sponsor. Mr. Morgan is clearly on a mission to attack Democrats as his complaint to Monica Stonier was obviously “cut and paste”. He continually mentions “Mr. Orange” in his examples rather than Ms. Stonier, which could be confusing if not intentionally intended to confuse the public.

The Elect Monica Stonier campaign is diligent and responsive to public needs where public disclosure is concerned. We will be even more diligent in the future with ticket purchases where our political party is involved. We believed at the time of ticket purchase that we were paying costs only as in previous years.

Thank you,

Marsha Manning  
Treasurer – Elect Monica Stonier