

**Respondent Name**

Whitman County Democratic Central Committee (non-exempt account PAC)

**Complainant Name**

Glen Morgan

**Complaint Description****Glen Morgan**

reported via the portal

*4 days ago (Thu, 19 Oct 2023 at 10:40 PM)*

To whom it may concern,

It has come to my attention that the Whitman County Democratic Party has committed additional violations of Washington State's Campaign Finance Laws (**RCW 42.17A**). The details are as follows:

**1). Theft or misappropriation of campaign funds for personal use (Violation of RCW 42.17A.445, WAC 390-16-238, RCW 42.17A.240, RCW 42.17.235)**

I realize that a current investigation is ongoing into other shady illegal behavior by this secretive political party PAC (See **PDC Enforcement Case #142460**), however this is an entirely different set of problems uncovered with a casual review of this organizations Non-Exempt PAC. As such, it seemed appropriate to break this into a different investigation since this PAC seems to have some problems following the law.

The first thing that really jumped out at me was the missing cash stash that appears between the end of the 2020 campaign and the beginning of the 2021 campaign. **It appears that \$250 ended up in someone's pocket, and these guys are keeping the lucky recipient of this cash stash a secret** from the public and the PDC.

Specifically, if you look at the final C4 filed by this secretive and shady PAC (See **PDC C4 Tracking #110004392, attached for staff reference**) you will note that the final ending balance that year reported on line 18 was \$3,047.48. But, when the next month's first C4 report was produced (See **PDC C4 Tracking #110007611, attached for staff reference**), the starting balance was light in the loafers by about \$250. It isn't clear who got away with the cash, but **regardless of who stole it or lost it or where it went, this crew needs to confess and expose the truth.** I know that when organizations operate in darkness, it is challenging for them to come out into the light, but I'm confident that they can do it if they really want to.

I realize this group is already under investigation for other lawbreaking, but this is really a separate violation from that original investigation.

Let me know if you need anything else on these guys.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

(For Internal PDC Staff reference – based on my written testimony submitted to the PDC last month, I am counting this as complaint #3 for October)

<b>What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?</b>
The public has a right to know who stole the money, or if it was "lost" or who got the cash stash. Even if people expect it to be stolen or wasted, they at least should admit what happened. The first thing that will set these guys free is if they just confess to their crimes and accept that they can't conceal it from the public any longer
<b>List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found</b>
C4s are attached and referenced within the body of the complaint.
<b>List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them</b>
The officers and treasurer for sure.
<b>Certification (Complainant)</b>
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.

# SUMMARY, FULL REPORT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

**C4**  
(3/97)

PDC OFFICE USE  
 110004392  
 01-01-2021

Candidate or Committee Name (Do not abbreviate. Include full name) <b>WHITMAN COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE NON-EXEMPT</b>			
Mailing Address <b>P.O. Box 772</b>		City <b>Pullman, WA</b>	
Zip + 4 <b>99163</b>	Office Sought (Candidates)	Election Date <b>2020</b>	<b>*For PACs, Parties &amp; Caucus Committees:</b> During this report period, did the committee make an <u>independent expenditure</u> (i.e., an expense not considered a contribution) <u>supporting or opposing a state or local candidate?</u>
Report Period Covered <b>12/01/20</b>	From (last C-4) <b>12/01/20</b>	To (end of period) <b>12/31/20</b>	

## RECEIPTS

\*See next page Yes No

1. Previous total cash and in kind contributions (From line 8, last C-4) (if beginning a new campaign or calendar year, see instruction booklet) .....	\$	<b>\$6,415.86</b>
2. Cash received (From line 2, Schedule A) .....	\$	<b>\$835.00</b>
3. In kind contributions received (From line 1, Schedule B) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
4. Total cash and in kind contributions received this period (Line 2 plus 3) .....		<b>\$835.00</b>
5. Loan principal repayments made (From line 2, Schedule L) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
6. Corrections (From line 1 or 3, Schedule C) .....	Show + or (-)	<b>\$0.00</b>
7. Net adjustments this period (Combine line 5 & 6) .....	Show + or (-)	<b>\$0.00</b>
8. Total cash and in kind contributions during campaign (Combine lines 1, 4 & 7) .....		<b>\$7,250.86</b>
9. Total pledge payments due (From line 2, Schedule B) .....	<b>\$0.00</b>	

## EXPENDITURES

10. Previous total cash and in kind expenditures (From line 17, last C-4) (If beginning a new campaign or calendar year, see instruction booklet) .....		<b>\$3,630.82</b>
11. Total cash expenditures (From line 4, Schedule A) .....		<b>\$572.56</b>
12. In kind expenditures (goods & services) (From line 1, Schedule B) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
13. Total cash and in kind expenditures made this period (Line 11 plus line 12) .....		<b>\$572.56</b>
14. Loan principal repayments made (From line 2, Schedule L) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
15. Corrections (From line 2 or 3, Schedule C) .....	Show + or (-)	<b>\$0.00</b>
16. Net adjustments this period (Combine lines 14 & 15) .....	Show + or (-)	<b>\$0.00</b>
17. Total cash and in kind expenditures during campaign (Combine lines 10, 13 and 16) .....		<b>\$4,203.38</b>

CANDIDATES ONLY	Won	Lost	Unopposed	Name not on ballot
Primary election	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
General election	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Treasurer's Daytime Telephone No.:  
**(509) 332-2154**

## CASH SUMMARY

18. Cash on hand (Line 8 minus line 17) .....	<b>\$3,047.48</b>
[Line 18 should equal your bank account balance(s) plus your petty cash balance.]	
19. Liabilities: (Sum of loans and debts owed) .....	<b>\$0.00</b>
20. Balance (Surplus or deficit) (Line 18 minus line 19) .....	<b>\$3,047.48</b>

**CERTIFICATION:** I certify that the information herein and on accompanying schedules and attachments is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Candidate's Signature	Date	Treasurer's Signature	Date
		<b>Michael L Lowery</b>	<b>01/01/21</b>

# CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

SCHEDULE  
to C4

**A**  
(11/93)

2

Candidate or Committee Name (Do not abbreviate. Use full name.)

Report Date

12/01/20 12/31/20

1. CASH RECEIPTS (Contributions) which have been reported on C3. List each deposit made since last C4 report was submitted.

Date of deposit	Amount	Date of deposit	Amount	Date of deposit	Amount	Total deposits
12/07/2020	\$750.00					
12/31/2020	\$85.00					

2. TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS

Enter also on line 2 of C4 \$ **\$835.00**

**CODES FOR CLASSIFYING EXPENDITURES:** If one of the following codes is used to describe an expenditure, no other description is generally needed. The exceptions are:

- 1) If expenditures are in-kind or earmarked contributions to a candidate or committee or independent expenditures that benefit a candidate or committee, identify the candidate or committee in the Description block;
- 2) When reporting payments to vendors for travel expenses, identify the traveler and travel purpose in the Description block; and
- 3) If expenditures are made directly or indirectly to compensate a person or entity for soliciting signatures on a statewide initiative or referendum petition, use code "V" and provide the following information on an attached sheet: name and address of each person/entity compensated, amount paid each during the reporting period, and cumulative total paid all persons to date to gather signatures.

CODE  
DEFINITIONS  
ON NEXT PAGE

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W - Wages, Salaries, Benefits  
G - General Operation and Overhead

## 3. EXPENDITURES

- a) Expenditures of \$50 or less, including those from petty cash, need not be itemized. Add up these expenditures and show the total in the amount column on the first line below..
- b) Itemize each expenditure of more than \$50 by date paid, name and address of vendor, code/description, and amount.
- c) For each payment to a candidate, campaign worker, PR firm, advertising agency or credit card company, attach a list of detailed expenses or copies of receipts/invoices supporting the payment.

Date Paid	Vendor or Recipient (Name and Address)	Code	Purpose of Expense and/or Description	Amount
N/A	Expenses of \$50 or less	N/A	N/A	\$8.56
12/02/20	POSTMASTER S GRAND AVE PULLMAN, WA 99163		P.O. Box for 2021	\$64.00
12/07/20	9TH LD DEMOCRATS 4209 Mojave Dr Pasco, WA 98301		Contribution to 9th LD Dems	\$500.00

Total from attached pages \$ **\$0.00**

4. TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURES

Enter also on line 11 of C4 \$ **\$572.56**

# SUMMARY, FULL REPORT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

**C4**  
(3/97)

PDC OFFICE USE  
 110007611  
 02-01-2021

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Report Period Covered <b>01/01/21</b>	From (last C-4) To (end of period) <b>01/31/21</b>	Final Report? Yes No <b>X</b>	

## RECEIPTS

\*See next page Yes No

1. Previous total cash and in kind contributions (From line 8, last C-4) (if beginning a new campaign or calendar year, see instruction booklet) .....	\$	<b>\$2,797.48</b>
2. Cash received (From line 2, Schedule A) .....	\$	<b>\$1,107.00</b>
3. In kind contributions received (From line 1, Schedule B) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
4. Total cash and in kind contributions received this period (Line 2 plus 3) .....		<b>\$1,107.00</b>
5. Loan principal repayments made (From line 2, Schedule L) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
6. Corrections (From line 1 or 3, Schedule C) .....	Show + or (-)	<b>\$0.00</b>
7. Net adjustments this period (Combine line 5 & 6) .....	Show + or (-)	<b>\$0.00</b>
8. Total cash and in kind contributions during campaign (Combine lines 1, 4 & 7) .....		<b>\$3,904.48</b>
9. Total pledge payments due (From line 2, Schedule B) .....	<b>\$0.00</b>	

## EXPENDITURES

10. Previous total cash and in kind expenditures (From line 17, last C-4) (If beginning a new campaign or calendar year, see instruction booklet) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
11. Total cash expenditures (From line 4, Schedule A) .....		<b>\$8.67</b>
12. In kind expenditures (goods & services) (From line 1, Schedule B) .....		<b>\$0.00</b>
13. Total cash and in kind expenditures made this period (Line 11 plus line 12) .....		<b>\$8.67</b>
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		<b>Michael L Lowery</b>	<b>02/01/21</b>

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01/06/2021	\$977.00					
01/15/2021	\$50.00					
01/31/2021	\$80.00					

2. TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS

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