



# STATE OF WASHINGTON PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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# Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding Linda Farmer PDC Case 144494

I, (Print name here)	Linda Farmer	, hereby acknowledge:

During election year 2019, while a candidate running for City of Lakewood, City Council Member, Pos. 6, I violated RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240 by not timely and accurately filing Cash Receipts Monetary Contributions (C-3) reports and Campaign Summary Receipts and Expenditures (C-4) reports, disclosing contributions and expenditures undertaken by Friends of Linda Farmer (the Committee).

#### The facts are as follows:

- I was first elected to the Lakewood City Council in 2019 and served one term.
- On Dec. 31, 2019, the Committee filed a C-4 report listing a total of \$9,372.36 in contributions and \$20,625.25 in expenditures during the 2019 campaign for Lakewood City Council.
- In 2022, I was elected as the Pierce County Auditor and am a current candidate for the same position.
- From January May 2024, my new Committee treasurer, Andy Lo, amended reports from my 2019 Lakewood City Council Campaign to properly report debt and list any unreported contributions.
- On May 20, 2024, Andy Lo filed a C-4 for the time period of January December 2021 for the Committee, listing a corrected amount of \$13,583.72 in contributions and \$13,583.72 in expenditures during the 2019 campaign.

I would like to avoid the time and expense resulting from a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing). Therefore, in lieu of a hearing, I acknowledge I violated Washington law as described above and agree to enter this Statement of Understanding to resolve this case with the PDC. Further, per the Penalty Schedule in WAC 390-37-143, I agree to pay a \$150 civil penalty for violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240.

By signing this Statement of Understanding, I acknowledge that I violated RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240 and waive my right to a hearing in this matter. I further understand that by

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signing this Statement of Understanding and paying the \$150 civil penalty, PDC Case no. 144494 is resolved.

Linda Farmer, Candidate

7/20/24

Date Signed

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