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**Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding  
Melanie Morgan PDC Case 144527**

I, (Print name here) MELANIE MORGAN, hereby acknowledge:


During election year 2018, while a candidate running for the Washington State House of Representatives, Legislative District 29, 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 Melanie Morgan (the Committee).

The facts are as follows:

- I was first elected to the Washington State House of Representatives representing Legislative District 29 in 2018 and was re-elected in 2020 and 2022. I am a current candidate for the same position.
- On Jan. 7, 2019, my 2018 Committee filed a C-4 report listing a total of \$48,513 in contributions and \$60,616.94 in expenditures during the 2018 campaign, with a negative balance of \$12,103.94. However, my 2020 Committee filed a C-3 filed June 10, 2019 that listed a funds transfer of \$18,714.25 from the 2018 campaign to the 2020 campaign.
- From January – May 2024, my treasurer, Andy Lo, amended reports from my 2018 and 2020 campaigns to properly report debt and list any unreported contributions.
- On May 20, 2024, Andy Lo filed a C-4 for the time period of April 1 – 30, 2019 for the Committee, listing a corrected total of \$119,060.65 in contributions and \$100,156.47 in expenditures during the 2018 campaign, with \$18,714.25 cash on hand.

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 \$1,000 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 signing this Statement of Understanding and paying the \$1,000 civil penalty, PDC Case no. 144527 is resolved.

  
Melanie Morgan, Candidate

7/26/24  
Date Signed

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