

Dan Delano replied Wed, 3 Jan 2024

To: PDC Support

I appreciate what the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission does in regards to open and transparent elections in our State. Without election integrity, the public will lose faith in our elected officials. The complaint against me brought by Andreas Koeppen, has nothing to do with election integrity, and everything about weaponizing the PDC to harass and intimidate his political opponents. A quick search on the PDC website will show that Andreas Koeppen has filed numerous and frivolous complaints against candidates that he has opposed. His complaint against me is not about his concern of the integrity of my campaign in 2022. If that was true he would have brought the complaint during my campaign, or at least in the same year as my campaign. My campaign was almost entirely self-funded with my own credit card. I did not make it through the primary election in 2022, so I am not an elected official. If I was elected, the case could be made that I needed to clear up how my campaign was funded. That campaign was my first experience running for public office. It was a good experience but was quite hectic because I have a 40+ hour a week job that was physically demanding, and then I was campaigning on top of that. When I did not make it through the Primary Election in August 2022, I felt compelled to spend time catching up on the many parts of my personal life and health that I had put on hold during my campaign.

As to the allegation that Andreas Koeppen is making that there has been a leadership change in the Grant County Republican Party, that is entirely not true. There has not been a leadership change, and Jim Walsh the Washington State Republican party chairman has clarified that in both letters that he has written to the Grant County Republican Party. Andreas Koeppen and a few other individuals have convinced the bank that the Grant County Republican Party uses to freeze our account until both parties can agree on the ownership. This has wasted much time, communicating with vendors that have not been paid, and canceled subscriptions. They also were able to convince the postal service where we received mail to close our account, again forcing us to lose time. We are all volunteers at the Grant County Republican Party, and most of us have full-time jobs and families that we are balancing.

I would ask that you consider my circumstances, and consider the motivations of Andreas Koeppen in filing this PDC complaint against me.

Thank you,

Dan DeLano

Dan Delano replied Thu, 4 Jan 2024

To: PDC Support

Hello my plan is that I would have time to file the reports required for my 2020 campaign within a month. I am also actively working at catching up the other reports for the Grant County Central Committee that Andreas Koeppen referenced in his PDC complaint against me. Andreas and his supporters have been slandering us on social media, and as I mentioned earlier tied up our bank account, additionally we have had to change addresses on all of our printed material because of the address change we were forced to make. They are trying to wear us down and discourage us, but they

will be unsuccessful in their attempts. We have nothing to hide, and I will continue to work at updating the required PDC documentation, in the evening, after my day job.

Thank you again for your consideration,

Dan DeLano