

Misipati Semi Bird
Candidate for Washington State Governor
PO Box 1070
Richland, WA 99352
April 7, 2024

Ms. Mercier, Compliance Officer
Public Disclosure Commission (PDC)
RE: Written response to the complaint filed by Robert Parker

Dear Ms. Mercier,

During the time in which I was actively conducting business as the principal owner of Patriot Builders, LLC, I always maintained PDC compliance by properly listing the company on all F-1 financial affairs disclosure forms prior to 2022. This fact alone demonstrates that there was no deception or "lack of transparency to the voters" as alleged by the complainant.

- There was absolutely no business conducted during the 2022 period, which is why Patriot Builders, LLC was not included on the 2022 F-1.
- As noted in your PDC notice of complaint, I have opted to amend the 2022 filing to reflect Patriot Builders, LLC. I also noted that there were no funds received from any customers during that period.

Patriot Builders, LLC was a licensed, bonded, and insured company. It is rare to pierce the veil of protection of a business owner, however; the arbitration took place via conference call without myself, the insurance company, or bonding company in attendance due to questionable notification.

- When filing the 2022 F-1 report, I did not consider the arbitration award as a personal debt that should be noted under the personal section, since it originated from a business dispute.
- There was never any litigation in this matter, however, the insurance company, bonding company, and myself, reached a mutual settlement with the Valores in November of 2023, in which a settlement award was paid. In August of 2023 I volunteered to pay \$64,083.27 to the Valores to ensure a positive closure to the issue. The insurance company and bonding company also paid additional portions.
- To avoid any further questions on this matter, and in the interest of transparency, I included the arbitration award under the personal debt section of the current F-1 which was completed on 04/07/2024. I noted what the debt was for, and that it was paid in full.

Ms. Mercier, Compliance Officer

April 7, 2024

Page 2

Additionally, I again opted to amend the 2022 F-1 to reflect the debt, and noted the origination of the debt.

I think it is important to note that this complaint is for a period of time when I served as a School Board Director and not as a candidate for Washington State Governor.

Since the filing of the complaint that I am responding to, the complainant has filed yet another complaint, going back even further, to when I first ran for School Board Director in 2021, not to mention his other complaint filed in December of 2023.

It is disappointing that individuals would choose to weaponize our state government organizations to target political opponents of their chosen candidate, as is the case with this complaint and many others. It is unfortunate, but I assure you it won't be the last.

I will continue to strive for absolute compliance with the PDC, and learn from the journey. As noted in our previous response to the last case, in which this complainant was a part of, we have brought in a PDC compliance expert to serve as our campaign Treasurer, and to ensure best practices.

Respectfully,

Misipati Semi Bird

Candidate for Washington State Governor