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8 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

9 In Re: The Matter of Enforcement Action
10 Against:

11 NICKOLAS GREEN,
12 Respondent.
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PDC CASE NO. 151224
FINAL ORDER ON REQUEST
FOR REVIEW

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16 This matter was heard by the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission
17 (Commission) on March 27, 2025, by in-person, telephonic, and online streaming access.
18 Respondent Nickolas Green requested review on March 6, 2025, of the Presiding Officer's Order
19 entered on February 27, 2025, following a Brief Enforcement Hearing on January 30, 2025. The
20 hearing was held in accordance with Chapters 34.05 and 42.17A RCW, and Chapter 390-37
21 WAC.

22 Commissioners present in-person and online were J. Robert Leach, Commission Chair
23 (presiding), Douglass North, Commission Vice-Chair, and Commissioners Nancy Isserlis and
24 James Oswald. Also present in-person and online were Assistant Attorney General John S.
25 Meader representing the Commission, Assistant Attorney General Chad Standifer representing
26 PDC Staff, and Tabitha Townsend, PDC Compliance Officer. Notice was provided to the

1 Respondent and he appeared on his own behalf. The proceeding was open to the public and
2 recorded.
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4 The Commissioners had before them the following materials:

- 5 1. Case memorandum dated March 20, 2025, prepared by Tabitha Townsend, PDC
6 Compliance Officer;
 - 7 2. Brief Adjudicative Order for Case 151224, issued February 27, 2025;
 - 8 3. C-4 report covering July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2023, filed March 19, 2025;
 - 9 4. Respondent's Request for Review, received March 19, 2025.
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12 **I. FINDINGS OF FACT**

13 The matter involved Respondent's request that the Commission to review an Initial Order
14 entered on February 27, 2025, resulting from an Initial Hearing on January 30, 2025, regarding
15 Nickolas Green, a candidate for Mayor of Oak Harbor in the 2023 election cycle. The presiding
16 Officer at the Brief Adjudicative Proceeding found the Respondent in violation of RCW
17 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to timely file no later than September 11, 2023, the C-4 report
18 disclosing campaign expenditures. At January 30, 2025, hearing, the Presiding Officer imposed
19 a \$150 penalty which the Respondent now requests the Commission review. The Respondent
20 has no prior violations with the PDC.
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- 22 1. As a candidate for election, the Respondent was required to file a post-primary
23 election C-4 report by September 11, 2023.
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- 25 2. On December 31, 2024, PDC staff emailed the Respondent the hearing notice for
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1 the January 30, 2025, Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (BAP) regarding the missing
2 post-primary election C-4 report.

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4 3. A Brief Enforcement Hearing was held January 30, 2025, where the Respondent
5 was found to have violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240 by failing to timely file
6 the required C-4 report and a penalty of \$150 was entered. The Respondent did
7 not participate at the BAP. The Order from the BAP was served on February
8 27, 2025, to the Respondent's address and email or record.

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10 4. On March 19, 2025, the Respondent filed the combined C-4 report covering
11 July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2023.

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13 5. On March 6, 2025, the Respondent timely requested review of the Order entered
14 on February 27, 2025, from the January 30, 2025, BAP.

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16 6. On March 17, 2025, PDC staff served the Respondent by email with a hearing
17 notice for a March 27, 2025, Review Hearing before the Public Disclosure
18 Commission, along with instructions on how to participate in the hearing
19 remotely.
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21 22 **II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

23 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to Chapter
24 42.17A. RCW, the State campaign finance and disclosure law; Chapter 34.05
25 RCW, the Administrative Procedure Act; and Title 390 WAC.
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2. The Respondent, a candidate for election year 2023, violated RCW 42.17A.235 and .240, for failing to timely file a C-4 report no later than September 11, 2023, disclosing campaign expenditures.

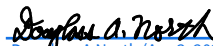
III. ORDER

This Order on Review will be the Final Order. After consideration of the facts of this case and the mitigating and aggravating factors, the Findings of Fact, and the Conclusions of Law, the Commission AFFIRMS the Initial Hearing Order finding the Respondent in violation of RCW 42.17A.235 and .240.

SO ORDERED this 3rd day of April 2025.

WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

FOR THE COMMISSION:


Douglass A North (Apr 3, 2025 15:00 PDT)

Douglass North,
Vice-Chair, Public Disclosure Commission

This order sent by email to:

Nickolas Green, Respondent,
PO Box 900
Coupeville, WA 98239
nick@whidbeyislandlimo.com

Tabitha Townsend,
PDC Compliance Officer,
pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Tabitha Townsend

I, _____, certify that I emailed a copy of this order to the Respondent at his respective email address.

Tabitha Townsend

Apr 3, 2025

Signed

Date

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2 **NOTICE: RECONSIDERATION**

3 Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 34.05.470 and WAC 390-37-150, you may file a Petition for
4 Reconsideration with the PDC within ten (10) days from the date this Final Order is served upon
5 you. Any Request for reconsideration must state the specific grounds for the relief requested.
6 Petitions must be delivered or mailed to the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission,
7 711 Capitols Way, Room 206, Box 40908, Olympia WA 98504-0908.

8 **NOTICE: PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW**

9 You have the right to appeal this Final Order to Superior Court, pursuant to the Petition for
10 Judicial Review provisions of RCW 34.05.542. Any Petition for Judicial Review of this Final
11 Order must be filed with the court and also served upon both the Commission and the Office of
12 the Attorney general within thirty (30) days after the date this Final Order is served upon you.
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