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Dear Ms. Blacksmith,

Good morning. Attached is the response regarding the February 1, 2025, Complaint.

Sincerely,

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February 12, 2025

Public Disclosure Commission
711 Capitol Way, Ste 206
PO Box 40908
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Re: Complaint against Jean Craciun dated February 1, 2025.

Dear Public Disclosure Commission:

This office represents Ms. Jean Craciun regarding a Complaint filed by Mr. Connor Edwards. The Complaint, filed on February 1, 2025, alleges:

Jean Craciun has recently filed an inaccurate C4 report with a negative line 18 balance (-\$2,698.07).

This suggests incomplete/inaccurate reporting.

21-Day C4 report 2023:

<https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-financereport/110269672> .

Additionally, on June 10, 2024, an attorney for Jean Craciun responded to the PDC complaint. See link: <https://pdc-case-tracking.s3.us-gov-west>

[1.amazonaws.com/6849/154360%20Craciun%20Jean%20Response.pdf](https://pdc-case-tracking.s3.us-gov-west)

However, her campaign has not disclosed any payment made to this attorney as an in-kind contribution, expenditure or debt. The last C4 filed by this candidate was covering February 2024.

1. Inaccurate Reporting Allegation is Incorrect.

In 2024, a Complaint was filed against Ms. Craciun regarding the nonpayment to a vendor. Ms. Craciun vehemently opposed payment because it was never authorized, as well as to ensure that her campaign funds were properly used. After refusing to pay the vendor, the bookkeeper, who authorized the payment, quit. This left Ms. Craciun to personally close out her bookkeeping at the

end of her candidacy. To ensure full disclosure, she worked directly with the Public Disclosure Commission. All required documentation was provided, and the issue was resolved. This matter was resolved a year ago and should remain closed at this time.

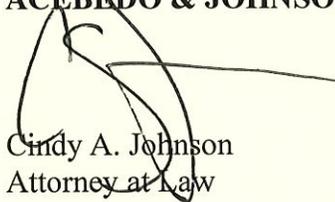
2. Attorney Fees Allegation Lacks Merit.

The Complaint in 2024 and now this allegation by Mr. Edwards, have been made against Ms. Craciun, personally. As a result, all attorney's fees were paid by Ms. Craciun personally. This allegation lacks merit.

We hope that this information assists with the resolution of the Complaint by Mr. Edwards, such that it will be summarily dismissed.

Sincerely,

ACEBEDO & JOHNSON, LLC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy A. Johnson", is written over the typed name and title. The signature is stylized and includes a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Cindy A. Johnson
Attorney at Law

cc: Client