

File a Formal Complaint - Glen Morgan

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To Whom it May Concern --

It has come to my attention that the 39th Legislative District Democrats have habitually and willfully committed frequent and multiple violations of RCW 42.17A.

1) Failure to file campaign finance reports electronically. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.245, see WAC 390-19-050(2))

State law requires that committees (who expend \$5000 or more in the previous year or **expect to in the current year**) file their C3 contribution and C4 expenditure reports electronically, using either ORCA, or an alternative reporting software. As such, the 39th District Democrats were required to file electronically.

The 39th District Democrats did not lack the technological ability to file reports using the electronic means provided by the PDC. In fact, in years prior, the Committee did file electronic reports.

RCW 42.17A.245(2) also clearly states: "failure by a candidate or political committee to comply with this section is a violation of this chapter."

It should be clear why the state legislature voted to make this a violation. The Public Disclosure Commission is an agency of limited staff and resources. Allowing committees to file using non-electronic means (even though they possess the capability to use electronic alternatives), creates an even larger burden on PDC staff -- who must scan and proof the documents that are sent to them.

As a result of this illegal method of filing, individuals who seek to view a list of the Committee's donors were greeted with a blank page when searching the PDC's normal database.

The committee must immediately electronically file reports during the period that they illegally failed to do so.

2) State law requires that candidates and committees file regular, accurate, timely C3 and C4 reports. RCW 42.17A.235.

Unfortunately, the 39th District Democrats filed numerous reports well past the appropriate due dates in both 2015, 2016, and 2017. One report appears to have been filed more than a year late. As mentioned before, these reporters were also not filed digitally.

The majority of these late reports lack report #s because they were not filed digitally.

3) State law prohibits committees from accepting more than \$300 worth of anonymous contributions annually, or 1% of the total amount raised, whichever is greater. RCW 42.17A.220 (4). State law also establishes that candidates must return contributions that exceed the contribution limits contained in RCW 42.17A.405 within 10 days of receipt. RCW 42.17A.405, RCW 42.17A.110, WAC 390-16-312.

In 2014, the Committee reported having received \$1639 in anonymous contributions. *(See attachments)* This amount is illegally in excess of the applicable \$300 anonymous contribution limit.

\$1339 was collected illegally by the Committee when it should have been sent to the State Treasurer's Office.

In 2015, the Committee reported having received \$384.00 in anonymous contributions. (See *attachments*) This amount is illegally in excess of the applicable \$300 anonymous contribution limit.

\$84.00 was collected illegally by the Committee when it should have been sent to the State Treasurer's Office.

In 2016, the Committee reported having received \$990.00 in anonymous contributions. (See *attachments*) This amount is illegally in excess of the applicable \$300 anonymous contribution limit.

\$690 was collected illegally by the Committee when it should have been sent to the State Treasurer's Office.

In total, \$2113 must be immediately transmitted to the State Treasurer's Office for deposit into the general fund per RCW 42.17A.220 (4). The Committee has illegally refused to transmit these funds for far longer than 10 days of receipt.

3) State law requires that the committee treasurer preserve books of account, bills, receipts, and all other financial records of the campaign or political committee for not less than five calendar years following the year during which the transaction occurred. (Violation of RCW 42.17A.235 (6)). State law further requires that the committee treasurer maintain a list of all individuals contribution no more than twenty-five dollars in the aggregate from any one person during the election campaign. RCW 42.17A.240(2)(c).

On information and belief, the 39th District Democrats have failed to maintain financial records for a period of five calendar years following the year during which the transaction occurred. Specifically, I believe that they have failed to maintain a list of individuals contributing no more than twenty-five dollars in the aggregate from any one person, as specifically required by state law.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

CASH RECEIPTS
MONETARY
CONTRIBUTIONS

C3

(1/12)

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE

DATE FILED PDC

AUG 08 2016

Candidate or Committee Name (Do not abbreviate. Use full name.)

39th Legislative District Democratic Party Organizat

Mailing Address

PO Box 1686

City

Duvall

Zip + 4

98019-1686

Office Sought (candidates)

Election Date

11/8/2016

1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date Received		Amount	Total
12/31/15	a. Anonymous <i>No DETAILED RECORDS EXIST</i>	\$ 384.80	\$ 384.80
	b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c).....		
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements. Attach Schedule L.....		
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other). Attach explanation.....		
	e. Small contributions \$25.00 or less not itemized and number of persons giving _____ (persons)	0.00	

2. CONTRIBUTIONS OVER \$25.00

Date Received	Contributor's Name, Address, City, State, Zip	Contributions of more than \$100: Employer's Name, City and State	P R I	G E N	Amount	Aggregate* Total
					\$	\$
		Occupation			\$	\$
		Occupation			\$	\$
		Occupation			\$	\$
		Occupation			\$	\$
		Occupation			\$	\$
		Occupation			\$	\$
		Sub-total			384.80	
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*See reverse for details.

3. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT

Sum of parts 1 and 2 above. Enter this amount in line 1, Schedule A to C4.

384.80

4. Date of Deposit

12/31/2015

I certify that this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Treasurer's Signature

Date

Treasurer's Daytime Telephone No.: (360) 794 - 0430

Charles A. Bean

7/30/2016

CASH RECEIPTS MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS

C3

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City

Duvall, WA

Zip + 4

98019-1686

Office Sought (candidates)

Election Date

11/8/2016

1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date Received		Amount	Total
3/28/16	a. Anonymous.....	\$ 535.92	\$ 535.92
	b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c).....		
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements. Attach Schedule L.....		
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other). Attach explanation.....		
4/17/16	e. Small contributions \$25.00 or less not itemized and number of persons giving <u>3</u> (persons)	60.00	

2. CONTRIBUTIONS OVER \$25.00

Date Received	Contributor's Name, Address, City, State, Zip	Contributions of more than \$100:* Employer's Name, City and State	P R I	G E N	Amount	Aggregate* Total
4/17/2016	Alan Brennan Unknown				\$150.00	\$
	Occupation					
					\$	\$
	Occupation					
4/17/2016	Mark & Diane Studley 3309 Erika Ln. Mount Vernon, WA 98273				\$50.00	\$50.00
	Occupation					
4/17/2016	Skagit Cnty. Democrats 1418 Railroad Ave Sedro Wooley, WA 98284				\$160.16	\$160.16
	Occupation					
					\$	\$
	Occupation					
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		Amount from attached pages				

*See reverse for details.

3. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT

Sum of parts 1 and 2 above. Enter this amount in line 1, Schedule A to C4.

946.08

4. Date of Deposit

4/20/2016

I certify that this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Treasurer's Signature

Date

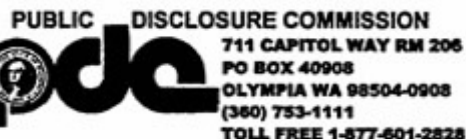
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7/30/2016

Treasurer's Daytime Telephone No.: (360) 794 - 430

7/31/16

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**C3**

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AUG 08 2016

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39th Legislative District Democratic Party Organizaat

Mailing Address

PO Box 1686

City

Zip + 4

Office Sought (candidates)

Election Date

Duvall, WA

98019-1686

11/8/2016

1. MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN ACCOUNT

Date Received		Amount	Total
12/31/14	a. Anonymous <u>NO DETAILED RECORDS EXIST</u>	\$ 1,639.00	\$ 1,639.83
	b. Candidate's personal funds deposited in the bank (include candidate loans in 1c)		
	c. Loans, notes, security agreements. Attach Schedule L		
	d. Miscellaneous receipts (interest, refunds, auctions, other). Attach explanation		
	e. Small contributions \$25.00 or less not itemized and number of persons giving (persons)		

2. CONTRIBUTIONS OVER \$25.00

Date Received	Contributor's Name, Address, City, State, Zip	Contributions of more than \$100: Employer's Name, City and State	P R I	G E N	Amount	Aggregate* Total
					\$	\$
		Occupation				
					\$	\$
		Occupation				
					\$	\$
		Occupation				
					\$	\$
		Occupation				
					\$	\$
		Occupation				
					\$	\$
		Sub-total			1,639.83	
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3. TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED OR CREDITED TO ACCOUNT

Sum of parts 1 and 2 above. Enter this amount in line 1, Schedule A to C4.

4. Date of Deposit

I certify that this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Treasurer's Signature

Date _____

12/31/2014

Treasurer's Daytime Telephone No.: (360) 794 - 0430

7/10/2016

